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In Memorium

**MESSAGE
FROM
THE COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT**

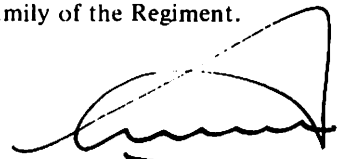
The past year, reviewed by this issue of The Springbok, has been one of intense activity for our Regiment. One knows and accepts that the tour of duty in Germany is going to be busy, but 1980 was exceptionally so. Each of you can take pride that the Regiment rose to meet all challenges and, in its response, reflected a high degree of professionalism. All Dragoons, whether serving or retired, are proud of you. I was fortunate to be able to visit you twice during the year, once in the field at Munsingen and, of course, at Lahr for Leliefontein. I was pleased to be able to visit with so many of you and see you all «doing your thing».

My tour as your Colonel terminates in 1981. I want you to know how pleased I have been to serve in the appointment. It is truly a unique honour that one's Regiment asks that you come back and I was delighted to do so. Elsewhere in this issue of The Springbok are the words I quoted on the Leliefontein Parade about regimental service. Once again, it is my time to step aside and my place will be filled by someone new. Both of us are honoured in the opportunity to serve our Regiment. The Regiment goes on.

To each of you and your families, my wife and I wish to express our appreciation for your friendship and hospitality. Both of us were so happy to be at home in the family of the Regiment.

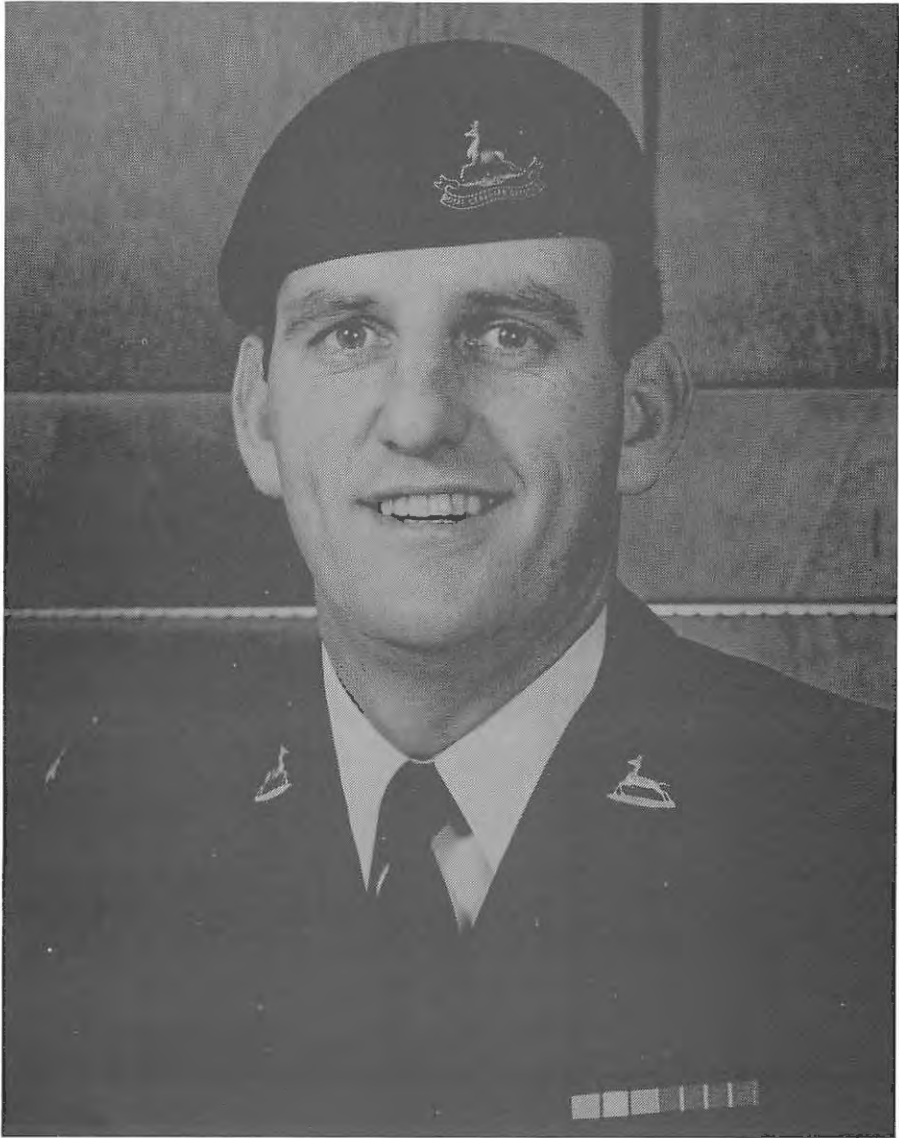
Good luck, God speed and Good Shooting.

December 1980
Ottawa, Ontario



P.V.B. Grieve
Brigadier-General (Ret'd)
Colonel of the Regiment





COMMANDING OFFICER'S MESSAGE

I am pleased and honoured to pen my first message in our Springbok as your Commanding Officer. This last year was a successful and full one and fortunately the most normal that the Regiment has witnessed in recent history. I am happy to report that the Regimental family is flourishing with a new C Squadron in Gagetown providing a much-needed Canadian home for Dragoons; an active, strong, interested Association dedicated to seeing that help is provided to the Regiment from all quarters; and finally our recently authorized Guild is in place to govern and oversee all our Regimental affairs. Lest we forget our younger members, I am very pleased to confirm that our Cadet Corps remain an outstanding example of the promise of our youth. The future augurs well for the Regiment.

In regards to our Centennial I want you all to know that the major projects have been launched to honour our Birthday in 1983. It is our intent to place commemorative plaques at past Dragoon garrisons and to celebrate the Centennial in major ceremonies both in Canada and Germany in true cavalry style. Our Regimental history project, I assure you, is of the finest quality and will be completed by Centennial year. More work and preparation is still required and I ask for the support and suggestions from Dragoons everywhere to ensure that due recognition is given to our predecessors and the fine record of The Royal Canadian Dragoons.

In this respect I wish to take this opportunity to formally record the thanks of all Dragoons to our beloved and respected Colonel of the Regiment, General Pat Grieve, who will be relinquishing his appointment in July. I consider this a most opportune moment to recognize the loyal, professional, dignified and human manner in which General Pat and Muriel have served their Regiment and country throughout their lives. We are proud of them both but somewhat saddened that our contact might become less frequent after July. Once again we thank you and wish you both well.

The coming year will be even more challenging than last with another Canadian Army Trophy Competition, another Boeslager Reconnaissance test, the influx of some 100 new Dragoons this summer and, hopefully the flyover of C Squadron for both the Gun Camp and the fall exercises. Most significantly as I ponder recent world events I must stress to you all the importance of being thoroughly prepared for war. These are troubled times and our duty is to be ready.

In closing, I would like to thank all members of the Regiment and their families for their past hard work and support. I leave you with this thought: In these times of international turmoil and historical significance to the Regiment, we will again be called upon to serve selflessly. I know all Dragoons can and will be up to the task. Bless You All.



C.J. Addy
Lieutenant-Colonel
Commanding Officer

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE RCD ASSOCIATION

This letter seems now to have become a traditional part of the Springbok. That is as it should be. Most of us in the Association are old Dragoons — only a few are not -- and they were attached to the Regiment at one time or another. Nevertheless, all of us possess the spirit of the Regiment and the comradeship that comes from that spirit is the heart and soul of the Association. The Springbok plays it's part in keeping us all in touch.

If the numbers presently joining the Association are any indication of success, then it is becoming more and more successful. But can we continue to grow? Old Dragoons are getting older and it won't be too long, Heaven forbid, before we start fading away. Fortunately the Regiment is a Regular Force unit so, unlike many Wartime units, it will always be able to provide the source of new members, and we will need them to sustain ourselves and continue to be a viable organization. It follows that we want to encourage all Dragoons to join the Association. A note to our Secretary at 108 Lisgar Street in Ottawa is all that is needed.

I wish all Dragoons could have been at our Reunion last October. 275 sat down to dinner and I can assure you that everyone felt that it was a great success. Start planning now for our Hundredth Birthday Reunion.



M.H. Bateman
President



THE REGIMENT

The Regiment is not the officers and men who serve it. The Regiment is not those officers and men who originally founded it or who served it in war and the intervening years of peace. The Regiment is not those officers and men who will proudly carry its name in the years to come. The Regiment is above and beyond those who serve it.

The Regiment is tradition – the Regiment is service – the Regiment is love of country – the Regiment is unswerving loyalty to our Queen and all that she stands for – the Regiment, above all else, is sacrifice.

Those who served it yesterday, those who serve it today, and those who will serve it tomorrow, have added and will add, glory to its name. They are honoured in that opportunity.

Year by year the faces in our ranks change. Year by year young men come forward to take the places of older men, but the Regiment goes on.

When all are but a memory, the Regiment will still stand – famous for past deeds, ever ready for new duties.

These are the words of the late Brigadier Bill Murphy, the British Columbia Regiment (28 Canadian Armoured Regiment) and were quoted in part by Brigadier-General P.V.B. Grieve, Colonel of the Regiment, on the Leliefontein Parade 1980.



THE YEAR IN REVIEW

If you were lucky you started the new year by attending the Brigade Ski School for alpine or nordic ski instruction. More likely you completed a Junior Leaders Course or did the hard work preparing for the staff inspection, annual technical inspection and the Brigade Commander's Inspection. General Fox spoke to the Regiment on the latter occasion and assured us that we could look forward to a normal year in 1980 that would be characterized by forecasted achievable activities. Please do not send us any more «normal» years!



With frost on the ground in Lahr, RHQ and Recce Squadron command elements headed into the snowy woods of the Black Forest for a Command Post Exercise called Vigilant Badger 1 (3-8 March). Supported ably by elements of A Squadron, the command and control elements of 4 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group exercised real war plans in a unique manner. While the plans were made on «real» maps the exercise play took place on «exercise» terrain. It was just as confusing as the previous sentence!

On completion of three months updating and refining gunnery skills in garrison, the Regiment, minus D Squadron departed by road for Bergen Hohne on 24 March 80.



The initial week was spent preparing the main camp, receiving the recently rebadged C Squadron of The Royal Canadian Dragoons from Gagetown in its flyover role, setting up the ranges and initiating the static engagements. The second week included continuation of static shooting and troop battle runs in preparation for the Regimental gunnery competition held the last week. During the period a team from NDHQ visited to test various components of the Leopard IFC'S. The RCD Cadets joined the Regiment for a weekend of familiarization which included night firing and a historic visit to the Bergen-Belsen memorial. As a side experience the Regiment forded all its tanks. The (in)experienced combat crew pictured below came very close to proving that tanks were not designed to do combat entries.





This year's gun camp included the Easter weekend but through much staff effort two chinks of CC-130 Hercules were provided to airlift the majority of the Regiment home to spend the weekend with families.



HQ Squadron experimented with portable showers for each squadron in addition to its routine tasks of supply and service support. CANEX lent us its mobile canteen to provide for late snackers and thus the father of Niner Grub made its appearance.



«Partnerschaft» visits during gun camp were made by the Commanding Officer of the 5/68th Armor – LCol Barrett plus three Lieutenants and 10 Sergeants, and the Commanding Officer of 293 Panzerbataillon – Oberstleutnant Wilpart.

Exercise Bergen Breeze (17-28 March 80) was conducted by Recce Squadron while the remainder of the Regiment prepared and went to gun camp. This exercise was conceived in November 79 by Major Derald Prosser and his staff. The aim was to exercise the Squadron from Lahr to Bergen-Hohne (Straight line distance approximately 800 km) for two weeks followed by a concurrently running gun camp at Hohne and Lynx fast water swim camp at Hameln on the Weser (29 March - 12 April).

The planning required land clearances from 11 levels of German governments and authorization from two NATO Corps Headquarters and the various German Territorial Commands. The level of crew and first line maintenance was so high that only one Lynx and one APC required second line repair – and these were back in action within 30 hours – a positive indication of Recce's abilities considering the average Lynx put on over 1200 km during the exercise.

In the second week of Bergen Breeze, B Flight of 444 Tactical Helicopter Squadron joined the Squadron for the ground/air recce phase. Everyone, including every vehicle in the Squadron, reached the objective (Bergen-Hohne) in a tired but very operational state and morale that could never be surpassed; the «impossible» had been done!

During the Reconnaissance Squadron gun camp the RSM, Mr. Beattie, and SSM Martin imprudently produced live moving targets for a recce patrol fire and movement exercise by coming to visit the range from the wrong end. Not to be outdone, the dynamic duo from B Squadron, Captain Lutes and Lieutenant Meisner, pulled the same trick with their SHQ tanks during night firing.

The swim camp at Wouldham Park on the Weser River was successful in spite of the heavy night work put in by the camp staff and visiting swimmers.



At the end of the Bergen-Hohne period the Commanding Officer ordered a parade to mark an historic occasion. For the first time in years, five squadrons of Dragoons stood proudly as their Guidon was trooped. On the same parade the awards for Leopard and Lynx gunnery were awarded. In tank gunnery: Best Squadron – B Squadron; Best Troop – Lt Ryder-Burbidge; Best Gunner – Tpr Laskovic. Lynx battle runs resulted in: Best Patrol – Sgt McPherson and Best Crew – Sgt Russell.



Having proved our primary gunnery skills we had to take a step back to do our annual small arms classification. We did so at Heuberg-Stetten in two phases (21-25 April and 26-30 May) co-ordinated by A and B Squadrons respectively. While A Squadron's slice suffered through snow B Squadron's group enjoyed balmy spring weather. We ran the gamut of pistol, sub-machine gun, rifle, grenade and anti-tank weapon firing. We proved conclusively that the new small grenade is a devil to hang onto and honourable mention must be made of Sgt Carpenter's heroic deeds in the grenade pit saving people from their «drop shorts».

As is noted in a separate item, throughout the spring the Boeselager Team had been practising its torturous routines. In early May (5-9 May) the team competed against the nations while less fortunate young officers went up against the inevitable Officer Professional Development Exams. Both groups sweated blood!

During the period 27 May to 5 June we again participated in the annual SNAKE BITE exercise. 444 Tactical Helicopter Squadron and its friend the 509th (US) Combat Aviation Battalion (Cobra attack helicopters) strove to perfect the teamwork needed in anti-armour aviation operations. Our entire Recce Squadron, with one half of A Squadron under command, sallied forth to do battle with an enemy force composed of an RCR half company and portions of their recce platoon. The aim was to let the ground forces fight a normal operation while the anti-armour aviation availed itself of the fleeting opportunity to snipe at armour.

From the outset the Cobras had difficulty in getting clean shots at the advancing Leopards. By modifying their technique and accepting that fast moving tank forces are difficult to stop, the aviation forces achieved their aim. A classic statement evolved from the observation of the recce battle by the Brigade Commander and various COs. Lieutenant-Colonel Bob Alden, after watching intently for over an hour was heard to mutter, «Watching a recce battle is not unlike observing submarine races».

In late May we held the annual Family Day.



You either love or hate Munsingen. The German troops call it «Little Siberia» and our troops call it «Mudslingen». At its best Munsingen is a small camp strewn with ruined castles, shepherds with flocks of sheep and interesting wooded hills with verdant valleys. At its worst its a slippery, muddy, gloomy place where it is impossible to keep warm and wet clothes remain wet. This year we saw both faces during our stay (16-30 June). While Recce Squadron romped in a beautiful Requisitioned Manoeuvre Area (RMA) to the south, the tank squaddies alternately baked in the sun and slopped through the mud. The idea of course was to get back to basics at crew, troop and squadron level and deploy our latest acquisition Niner Grub.

During the period the officers were invited to visit our Partnerschaft unit, 293 Panzerbataillon in Heuberg-Stetten. During the morning the officers were briefed on 293 Panzer's training system, discussed organization's and tactics and then visited quarters, maintenance and training facilities. As is now the custom in the Bundeswehr, the afternoon was given over to a cultural visit. It happens that the Prince of the Sigmaringen branch of the Hohenzollerns is a private doing conscript service in 293 Panzer. Consequently he invited the officers to visit his «home», the Hohenzollern Castle at Sigmaringen. Following the «at home» we then visited the nearly Benedictine monastery at Beuron, on the Danube, where the abbot described the life of a monk and conducted us on a tour of the monastery.



The Colonel of the Regiment joined us during our last week. Munsingen naturally lends itself to BBQs and the Colonel joined every squadron's feast. Two were notable, HQ Squadron's – at which it rained so hard the BBQ coals were extinguished and Recce Squadron where the Recce Olympics were staged in a farmer's field. The Recce Olympics included such notable events as a chicken race, a beauty contest, many «straight» events and concluded with the Kidnapping of Lord Killanin.



On 26 June LCol O'Connor handed over command to LCol Addy and the RSM's pacestick passed from CWO Beattie to CWO MacAdams, with the Colonel of the Regiment presiding.



Of course, since we had decided to have the change of command in the field, the Mudslings of Munsingen came out with a vengeance. The weather ranged from brilliant sunshine to stinging hail. The troops were soaked to the skin but they endured and all could see the pride and spirit emerge on that change of command parade. Regimental folklore is made up of experiences like that and that change of command will not be forgotten.



Nor will the culinary delights we experienced in the brand new Munsingen base camp kitchen. Without ever intending it the authorities provided us with four ovens that were ideally suited for the evening production of pizzas. Who could ever forget a Webster special all dressed for only five marks. Elevating the art of cuisine slightly, what soldier or RCD dependent ever realized that the Chief Cook and his crew could ever produce their exquisite masterpieces for the Change of Command reception?



If you really like to endure pain and prove your own stamina you take part in the Nijmegen Marches. As reported in the separate article our courageous group participated honourably (15-19 July) just prior to the mid-summer rotation.

This year the rotation was particularly heavy in that the initial crew of Leopard-trained personnel had been extended to ease our introduction to the Leopard C1. With only a short time to receive the new arrivals and their families the Regiment, augmented by militia flyover personnel, departed for the fall exercise period. In the period 11 August to 24 September 80 we trained all the way from crew to corps level. While RHQ and Reece Squadron found pastoral accommodation, HQ Squadron and the tankies churned the dust of Hohenfels training area. An unforgettable NBCW battle run was conducted at Hohenfels during which scientists from the Defence Research Establishment Suffield used fiendish devices to contaminate A and B Squadron tanks. HQ Squadron, to their chagrin, faced the unenviable and physically and psychologically exhausting task of decontaminating the tanks. Without a doubt the Regiment learned much about the realities of chemical warfare in that short period.



On the cultural side, both the officers and the Senior NCO's availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the nearest cathedral for that which is known familiarly as the Regensburg Romp.

Before departing the Hohenfels area we held a Regimental Sports Day followed by a Regimental Smoker. The kind citizens of Parsberg made available at no cost, an entire modern sports complex for our Sports Meet. The Parsberg Old Boys Soccer Team graciously consented to trounce our Regimental Soccer Team – we won't mention the average age difference in players – while the squadrons competed elsewhere in touch football, softball and volleyball. Following the sports we retired to an open field, to minimize the damage, and invited our German friends to partake of the «specialty» events that characterize any smoker. The more interesting comments came from the platoon from 293 Panzer Bataillon that had joined us for a week.

For those who served in the North and enjoyed the Antar tank transporters driven by the Poles, it was a dream come true to see the Bundeswehr Elefant tank transporters wheel into Parsberg. For those who had fought the staff battle to get tank transporters for so many years TANDEM SPRINTS ONE & TWO, simultaneous tank squadron lifts between exercises, proved the point in spades.



Coming out of the exercise period, the Regiment had little time to train for the Brigade Sports Meet (6-7 October 80). Having made the decision to maintain its vehicles rather than devote itself exclusively to athletics, the Regiment accepted its lot. Subsequently we launched into our crew courses to train new tank gunners, tank drivers and Lynx drivers.

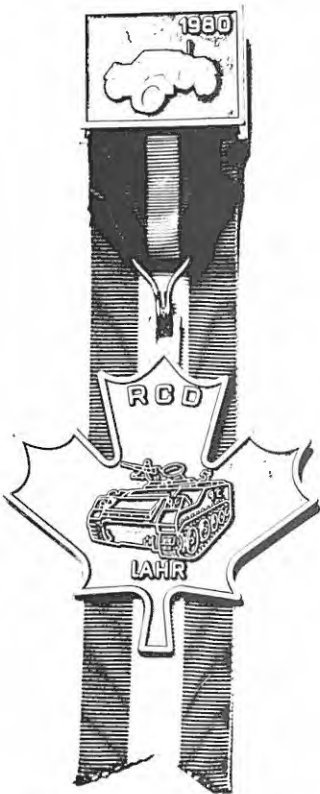


The 80th anniversary of Leliefontein was celebrated during the week 27-31 October. This year's celebration was particularly significant in that it was the last opportunity for the Colonel of the Regiment, Brigadier-General Grieve, to review the Regiment before handing over the reins. Also of significance was the convening of the first annual meeting of the board of Directors of the Guild of The RCD and the first annual General Meeting which eighty-three stalwart Dragoons attended. Padres Bill MacLennan and Jean Pelletier were able to lift the traditional Leliefontein monsoon and the parade and Regimental sports afternoon were held under sunny but cold skies. The highlights of the parade were General Grieve's last address to the Regiment, the presentation of the Eckhardt trophy to MCpl Chapman and the Leliefontein Awards to: Best Sergeant – Sgt (now WO) Schiratti; Best Master Corporal – MCpl (now Sgt) Ouellette; Best Corporal – Cpl (now MCpl) Jewett. The Senior NCOs Mixed Dinner, the Officers' Mixed Dining-In and the All Ranks Dance capped the social aspect of the celebration with the former two being attended by representatives of the partnerschaft battalion, 293 Panzer and our affiliated French Army Regiment, 12e Cuirassiers. Lest we forget, the RSM introduced ANKA and ISABELLE, two thoroughbreds that graced the Sergeants' Mess Dinner.





With scarcely a chance to catch its breath the Regiment went straight into its fourth annual Volksmarsch. The planning started in January and involved interesting co-ordination with the Deutsches Volkssport Verein and local municipal government. This year a slightly different approach was used in that WO Czimmek produced a Canadian-flavoured event in that only Canadian volunteer entertainment was used.



The weather held on 1-2 November 80 and Sgt Gutta's start organization processed 4103 paying marchers who enjoyed our beautiful route marked by Sgt Malcolm through the autumnal Lahr Stadtfurst. They returned anxious to wolf down food from WO Bouchard's and Sgt Eisan's kitchen and to listen to the entertainment from the Sweet Adelines Singing Group, The Lahr Senior School Jug Band, the Drum and Bugle Band of 1 R22eR and the CFE Pipes and Drums.

Following the Volksmarsch we went right back to work on our driver and gunnery courses. While driving could be accomplished in the Lahr area, open range gunnery practices could only be completed at Bergen-Hohne. Consequently, under the auspices of B Squadron, the gunnery instructors and students, supported by Niner Grub, repaired to that northern station to fire the live rounds that prove the theory learned in the classroom. The students, crew commanders and instructors – gunnery were observed carefully by Capt Lutes to choose potential members of our Canadian Army Trophy Team for June 1981.

Throughout the year various members of the Regiment put on demonstrations for visitors. This year we strutted our stuff for the Minister of National Defence, the Deputy Minister of National Defence, the Chief of the Defence Staff, the Canadian Ambassador to Bonn, visiting members of the Canadian Newspaper Association, visiting Canadian Mayors, Veterans of the 12e Bataillon de Fusilliers, visiting French Officers, the Canadian teachers in Lahr and Baden and many more.



To complete the year the Regiment began the detailed preparations for the annual staff inspection and annual technical inspection. Is this where we came in? But wait! We haven't mentioned the Children's Christmas Party that we threw on 13 December 80, the Annual Officers/Senior NCOs broom-ball game (need we say who won?), the Men's Christmas Dinner held on 19 December and the early celebration of the Regiment's Birthday (21 December) that same day.



THE BLUES AND ROYALS IN 1980

The first three months of 1980 saw the Regiment fully occupied with its move from Detmold, Germany to Windsor which is just west of London. Not only were we moving from our home of the past five years, but we were converting from the armoured to the armoured reconnaissance role. This meant that the Chieftains were handed over, and on our return to Windsor we met our new vehicles – Scorpion, Scimitar, Fox, Saracen and Ferret.

This has meant that the emphasis this year has been on conversion. Vast numbers have been introduced to the marvels of 76mm and 30mm gunnery, to new driving and maintenance techniques, and to the many other skills needed by the armoured reconnaissance soldier. However, this was no leisurely business. In April the Regiment took over responsibility for the reconnaissance element at the Heathrow Airport Guard Force. May saw troop training on Salisbury Plain for the whole Regiment. This proved a successful way of confirming that the theory could and did work well in practice.



FOX - cleaning the 30mm gun

July saw A and B Squadrons down at Lulworth in Dorset doing their Conversion Firing. After Chieftain gunnery the 30mm and 76mm guns felt strange to some. However, the Gunnery Camp was a great success and even the cynics were impressed with the power and accuracy of these smaller guns.



SCIMITAR and FOX at Lulworth

C Squadron meanwhile had to retrain yet again on Ferret Mk2 in order to go to Cyprus for a six months unaccompanied tour with the United Nations Forces. They departed at the beginning of September and will return in March 1981. The end of 1980 sees A and B Squadrons going to Wales to do their annual firing. Having settled in, the New Year holds a number of training exercises, some of these being abroad.

The year has, however, not been all work. On the ninth of April HM The Queen, the Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment, visited us at Windsor. She was able to visit both the officers and the WOs and CsoH Mess, and to speak to many members of the Regiment and their wives. We were blessed by a bright sunny day and the visit was a great success.

Members of the Regiment have been able to compete in their many chosen sports. At the time of writing twelve members of the Regiment are in Nepal on an adventure training expedition.

1980 has been a full, exciting and eventful year for The Blues and Royals. The Regiment has learned well the new reconnaissance role and now look forward to the future and the opportunities to test its skills on the many training exercises that are in the offing.

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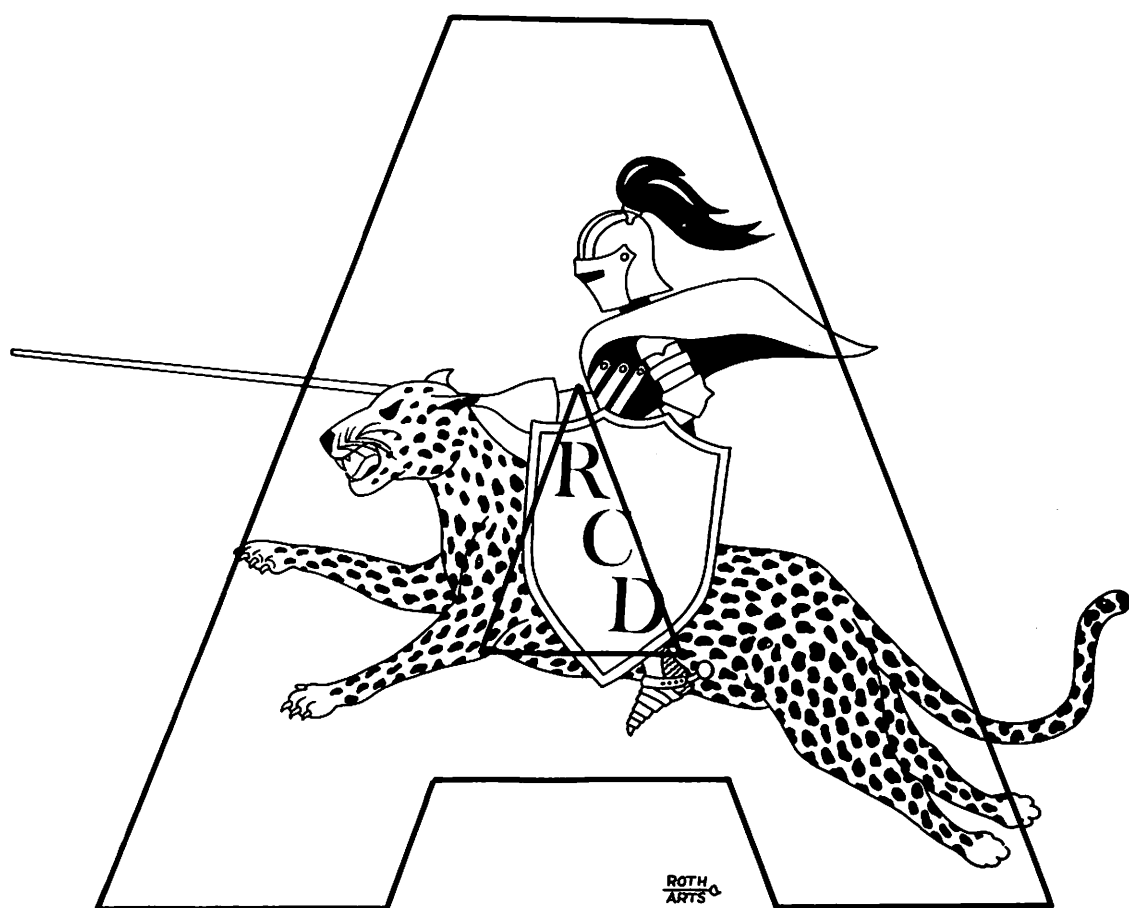
Unhappily publication deadlines precluded a more formal article from our affiliated Militia Regiment. What follows was gleaned from a letter between the RSM, Mr. D.T. Messabotta, and our RSM.

The GGHG had an extremely successful year winning the RSS Trophy for the best results in the Annual Inspection, the BGen Cumberland trophy as the best armoured regiment in Central Militia Area and finally the Worthington Trophy as the best militia armoured regiment in Canada. All in all a magnificent achievement of all ranks of the Regiment.

The usual militia activities continued throughout the year, the highlight of which was summer training conducted in Fort Drum, New York. Both TQ 1 and TQ 2 Armoured courses were successfully conducted at the concentration.

In September the Regiment bid farewell and thank you to their Honourary Lieutenant-Colonel, the Honourable Mr. Justice R.C. Rutherford and welcomed Brigadier-General W.P. Gilbride as their new Honourary Lieutenant-Colonel. There were 150 all ranks on parade which also featured a performance of the musical ride.

In 1981, as a result of their victory in winning the Worthington trophy, the Regiment is looking forward to sending a formed reconnaissance troop to the Royal Canadian Dragoons. The Dragoons on their part welcome this opportunity to strengthen the bond between our two units.





A SQUADRON



Cannon to right of them,
Cannon to left of them,
Cannon in front of them,
Volley'd and thunder'd;
Storm'd at with shot and shell,
Boldly they rode and well.

Tennyson
The Charge of the Light Brigade

The tactics and mounts have changed since Crimea but the spirit and panache of the cavalry lives on in A Squadron.



Life in a modern armoured regiment does not mean losing touch with our tradition.

The men of A Squadron participated fully in the myriad of activities that went to make up life in the Regiment in 1980. The photographic essay that follows is devoted to these fine armoured troopers.



Dvr: «What do I tell him my job is?»
CC: «Tell him you're the driver . . . I think he's looking for one!»



A Sqn Officers fall in for GOC's inspection . . .
«It's a dirty job but somebody has to do it».



«Well WO Verge said I'd be a crew commander
some day . . . but I thought . . . »



WO Swyers instructs Lt Ward (Centre) and Sgt
Hungerford (Right) on FNC6 MG during crew
commander's course.



Unsung Heroes



A Sqn maintenance personnel remove a Leopard power pack during FALLEX.



1 Tp enjoys a brief respite in Hohenfels during FALLEX.



WO Egan: «I don't see that dipstick in here anywhere!»



Members of 1 Tp enjoy a further respite during FALLEX.



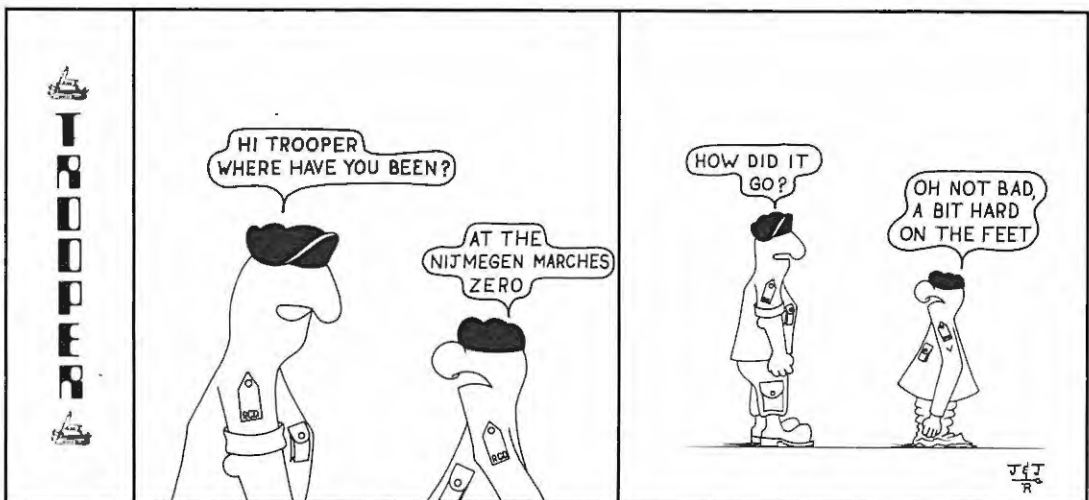
MWO Urbanowski announces his posting to Gagetown.



Members of 1 Tp enjoy yet another brief respite during FALLEX.



THE END!



NIJMEGEN 80

Each year the small Dutch city of Nijmegen hosts what is probably the oldest and best known «Volksmarsch» in the world. This is, of course, the famous Nijmegen Marches which last for four days and 160 km. This year, the 64th year, teams from all over Europe, the Americas and from Japan participated. Over 19,000 people, both military and civilian, actually completed the march to the cheers from an estimated 250,000 spectators.

The Canadian contingent, over 300 strong, arrived during the afternoon of 13 July. Included were the 15 members of the RCD Nijmegen team.



As one can immediately see, selection of the RCD Nijmegen team was no mean feat. Obviously, all members were hand-picked on the basis of marching ability, stamina and unusual capacity for beer.

The saga of the Dragoons team began in the early spring. All interested personnel (and anybody else that could be press-ganged) met in early March and the initial 15 team members were picked.

The team immediately began training hard for the first real test of the team. This was the «100 km of Ypres» march held annually around the old Flanders battlefields. In early May the team loaded its bus (crew commanded by the redoubtable «Fritz the driver») and left for Ypres, Belgium.

The team attracted scores of people who wanted to march with the crazy Canadians. At any one time Belgians, Dutch, British and Germans could be found marching with the team. The team's spirit was very high as was evident in its performance. On each day the first team to complete the course was the Dragoon team. Later, at Nijmegen, we would renew many of the friendships made in Belgium.

After Ypres the team got down to preparing for the actual Nijmegen March. The training distances were increased to 30 and 40 km and all wore the required 10 kg rucksack.

Sometimes, the distances covered were accidentally lengthened as was the case when Tpr Spence got lost with the 2 1/2 ton that was supposed to pick up the team. 58 km later ... Tpr Dunbar also had some problems when he led the team on a small stroll along the Rhine. That was only 50 km!

All training came to an end when the team boarded the bus for Nijmegen on July 13th. The march itself did not commence until the morning of July 15th so the team disappeared to all the corners of Nijmegen. It was indeed a sorry crew that congregated at 5 a.m. for the first day's march.

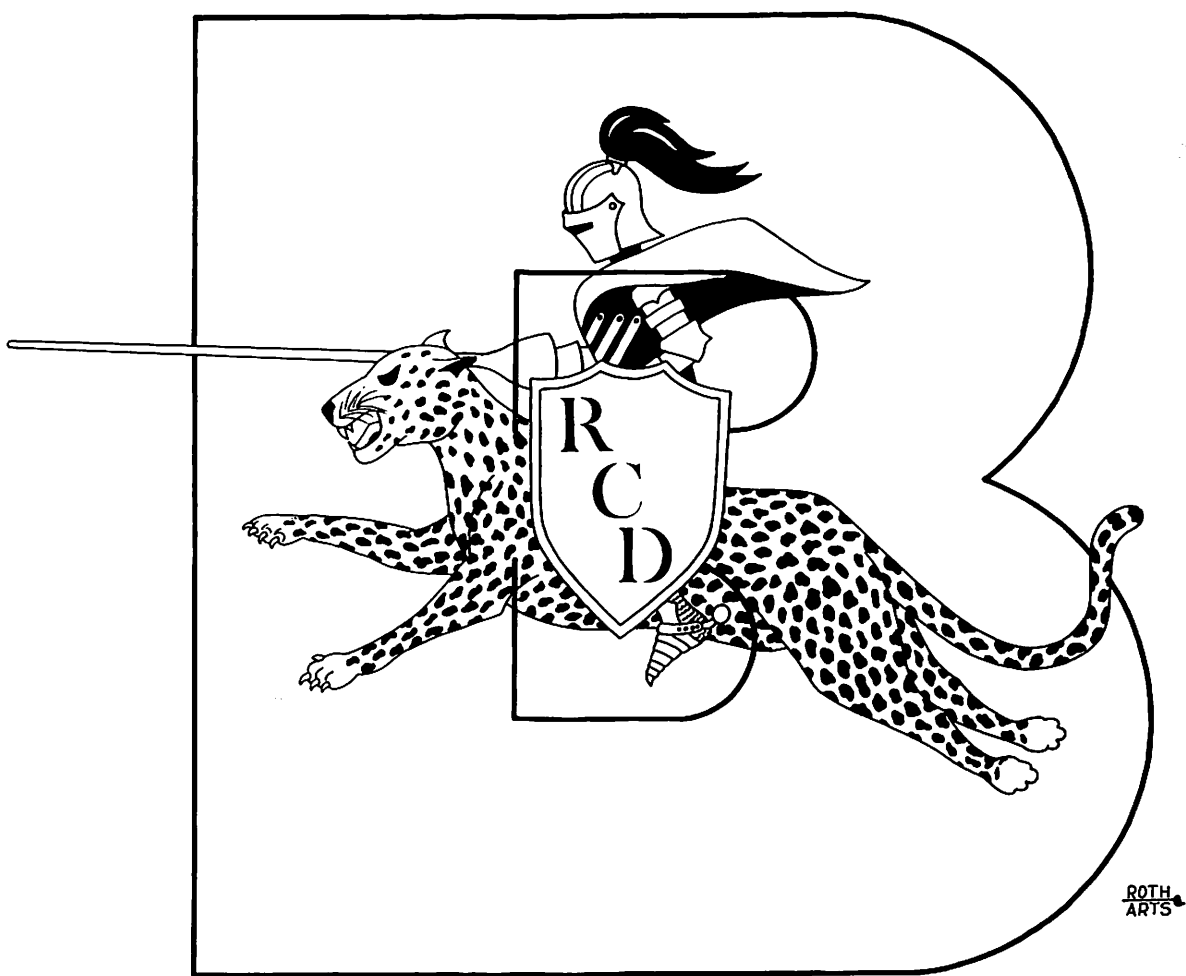
The next four days were unbelievable. The march made all the training worthwhile. The scenery was excellent but the best thing of all was the chance to strike up friendships with all various marching teams. The Dragoons were especially friendly towards the all-woman Danish Nurses team. But we became fast friends with people of all nationalities and armies. These friendships were usually cemented over numerous beer in the various Gasthaus and tents.

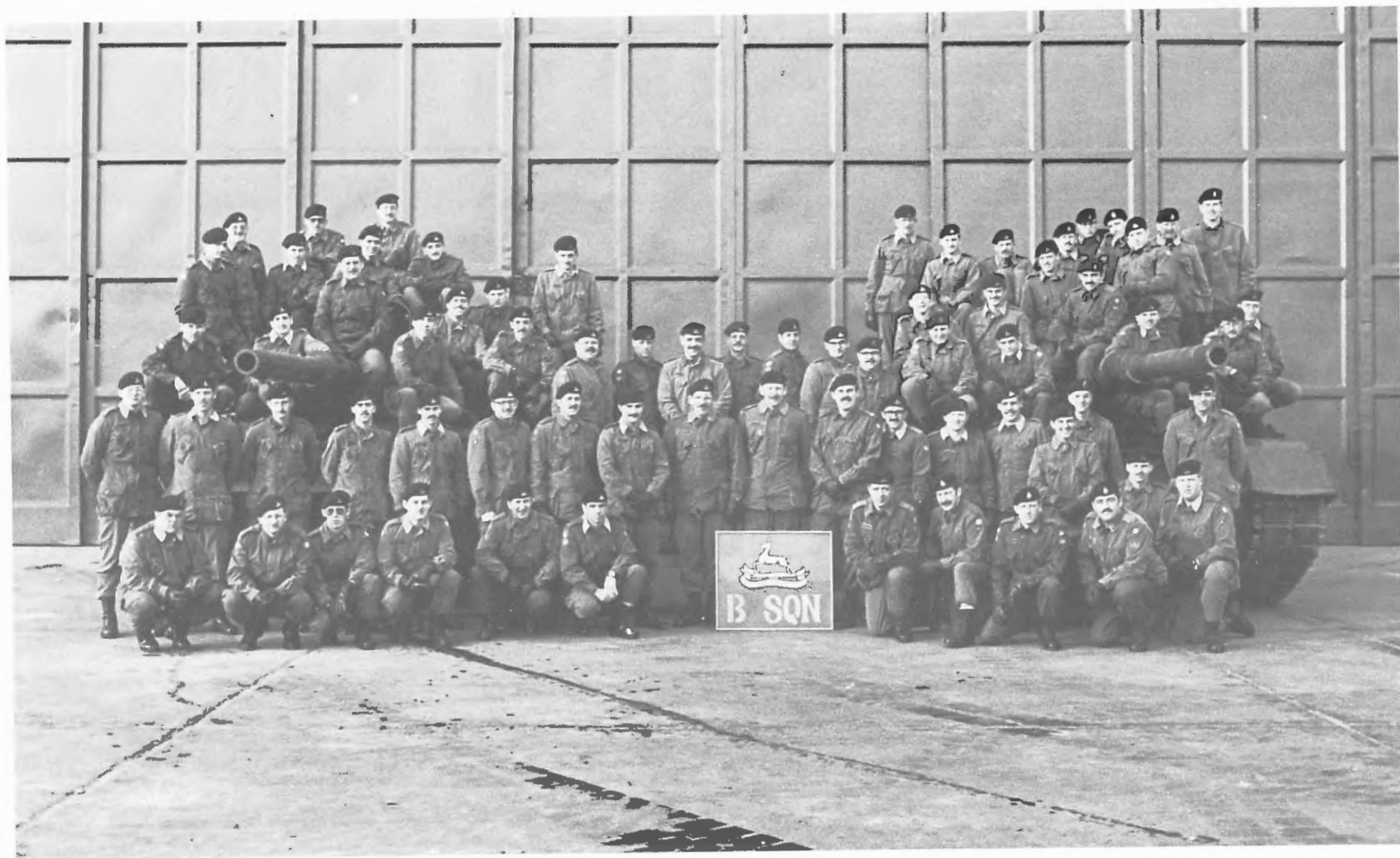


The culmination of the whole march is the 6 km «Victory March» held over the final portion of the fourth day's route. Each national contingent marched past the reviewing stand to the cheers of the spectators lining the streets 20 and 30 deep. Their reaction to the Canadian contingent was indescribable. The chant of «Ca-na-da» was picked up by the crowd becoming literally impossible to hear anything else. All along the route people of all ages rushed out from the crowd to press flowers into the arms of the soldiers. It was obvious that the Canadians have not lost the friendship and respect of the Dutch people.

Finally, we marched past the reviewing stand and it was all over. The Commanding Officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Addy, accompanied us back to base camp and there presented us with our medals. He also paid for the first round of refreshments which was thankfully received. The «Thank God It's Over» parties carried on into the City of Nijmegen which was hosting the «blister ball». This party proved such an attraction that Lieutenant-Colonel Addy went AWOL from his return flight so as not to miss it!

The Nijmegen March proved to be a personally rewarding and exciting experience. I cannot recommend this event too highly. If you want a challenge and think you can do it, try! Training for next year's team is only a few months away, so keep it in mind. It is worth it!





B SQUADRON

Bravo, often defined as a cry of approval, is appropriate when describing the achievements of «B» Squadron throughout 1980. Expressions of despair may often be heard echoing through the hangar, but pride is still the dominant emotion shown by all.

From the trials of the field to the disquieting «calm» of garrison life, the troops of our Squadron display the essential «esprit de corps» that commits us to our profession. As experts in the field of conventional warfare the men of «B» Squadron realize that not only is it important that our achievements be recognized, but that we also learn from our failures. This drive towards perfection seems to be what provides the adhesion necessary to hold the troops together.

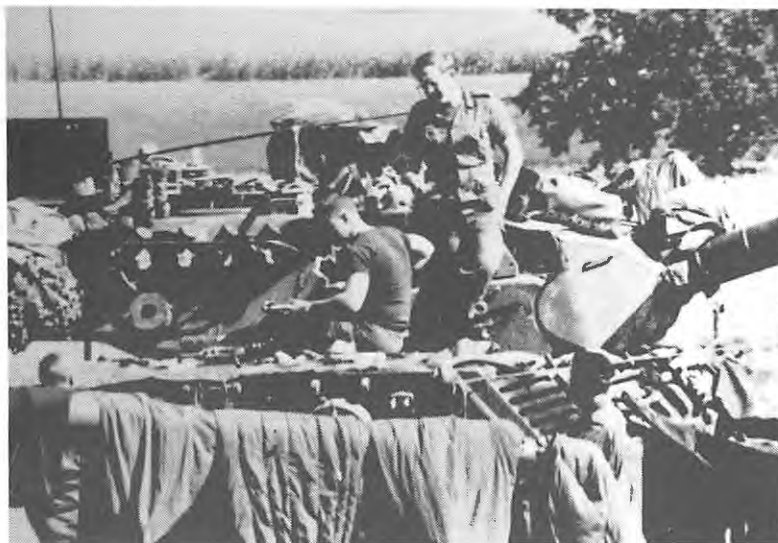
The purpose of this article is not only to recount the events of the past year or to expound on the accomplishments of individuals, but to pictorially show the morale of the men of «B» Squadron. Therefore without further ado - HERE WE ARE!!



A true field expedient - Cpl St Amand.



Lt Ryder-Burbidge «One-Ups» Lt Walt Natynczyk AGAIN.



Good cam job — Tpr Steward and WO Jones.

«It wasn't us» — Cpls Lucking and Barkley —
Hohne Gun Camp.



Dear Mom, Having a wonderful time. Love, Tpr
Stovold



Lt Garry Meisner and Sgt Dielschneider Masters of the «Dog and Pony Show»



Sgt Mingo completes first ever water walk.



Who stole my bullets? — Sgt Russell



2Lt Ferron, WO Ellis and Cpl St Amand — «We did this?».



MCpl McKinnon Supervises Recovery.



Tpr Lovett — «I didn't think tankers had to dig».

«And that's why Lowenbrau is better» — MCpl Tasker and Tpr Morrell.



Camouflage at its best — Tpr Waldo

Tpr Montrose happy at what he does best.





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«And we did it our way» – Tprs Montrose and Butler.



«I love FALLEX» – Tpr Caron.



«The canteen provides for the well-being of the Troop – MCpl LaFleur and Cpl McKenna.



«So thats a combat entry» — Maj Dalton (LCol
O'Connor — Driver).

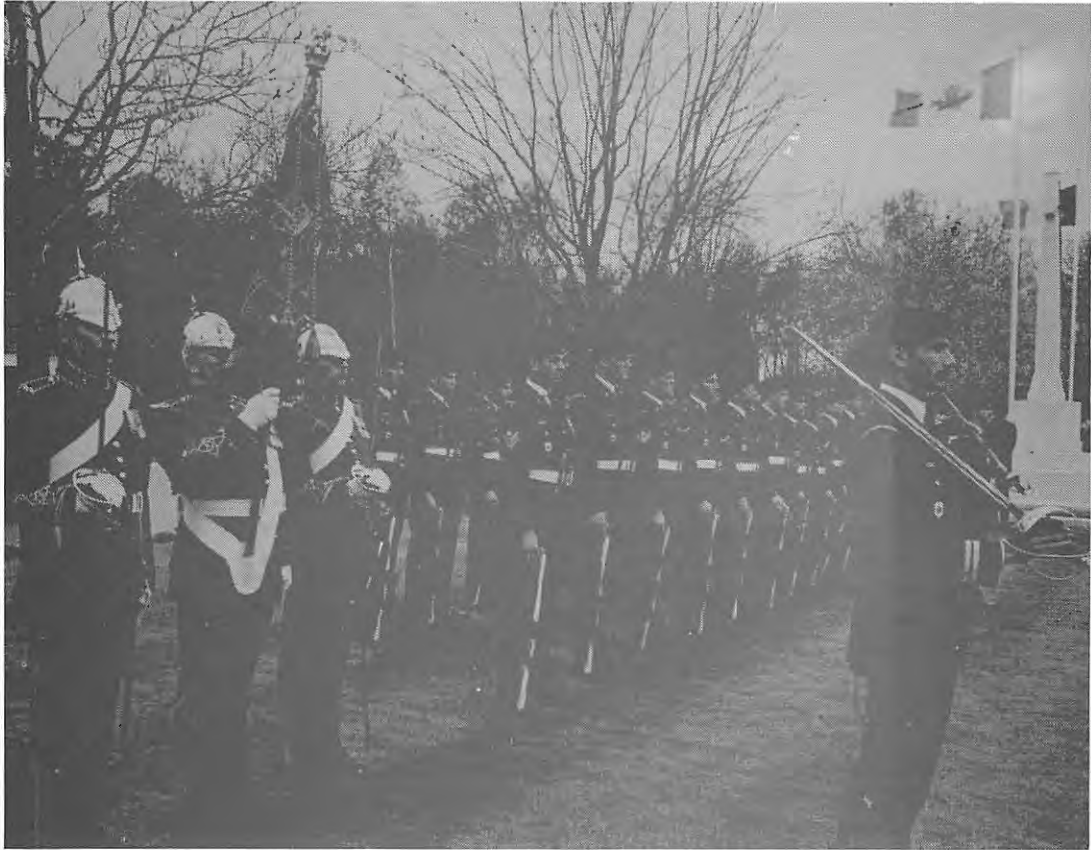


Three Great Minds Each with their own thoughts
— Cpl Fisher, Cpl St Amand and Tpr Carew.

THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIBERATION OF HOLLAND

What started as an ordinary tasking from Brigade to provide an honour guard and administrative support to the Canadian Forces Europe Contingent to the 35th Anniversary of the Liberation of Holland ceremonies became one of the most moving and significant episodes of 1980.

The CFE Contingent was commanded by Major Keith Eddy with MWO Tom MacDougal as his Sergeant-Major. The guard was commanded by Captain Gord Bouchard.



It was the silence that was overwhelming, each person in the crowd left to their own thoughts. One of the sentries MCpl Langille, slowly let his gaze sweep the Grosbeek cemetery. Hundreds of Dutch children were holding little Canada flags, the same children that had decorated all the Canadian graves with a blaze of flowers.

Princess Juliana and Prince Berhardt were before him now laying a wreath to Canada's fallen youth. Queen Beatrix and Prince Claus stood beside Canada's best known veteran, Minister of Veteran's Affairs Dan MacDonald.



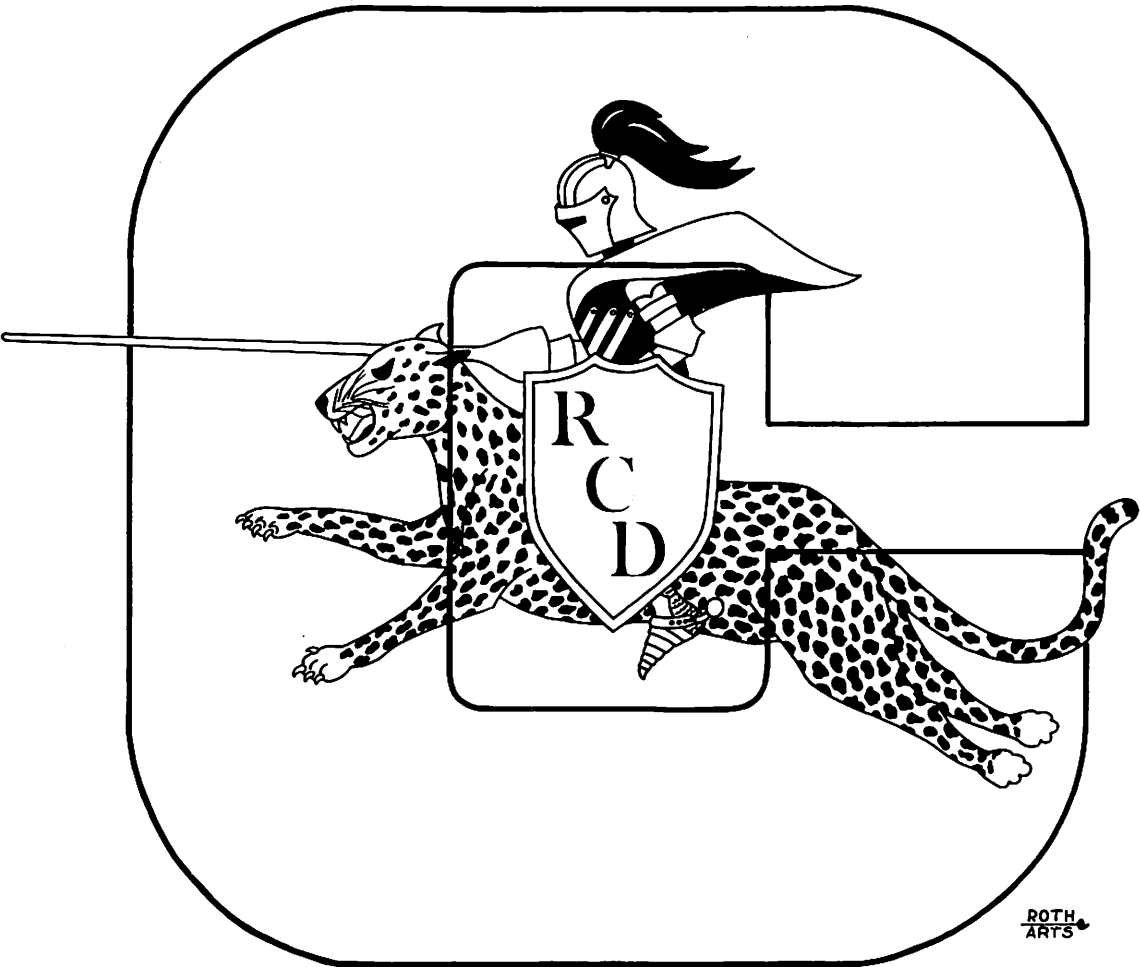


Major Keith Eddy remarked afterward that a lot of young men on the RCD Guard of Honour became true Canadians that day. For the first time many of our young men realized the tremendous sacrifice that so many like them had made only thirty-five years before. Our soldiers slowly passed among the graves that morning and read the headstones; so many and so young.

Throughout the week at ceremonies in Nijmegen, Niverval, Jonkerbos in Holland, at Adegem, Belgium and Reichswald, Germany, the scene was repeated. Always the gratitude of the Dutch citizens, the sadness and a growing pride in being Dragoons and Canadians.

Our young Dragoons took the opportunity to meet and listen to stories of the veterans, some 1100 strong that took part in the ceremonies. The sense of having accepted the «torch» was there along with the humour and courage with which these men had fought 35 years ago. Our men saw the bond between Holland and Canada, a bond forged in the crucible of war that exists to this day.







C SQUADRON

The squadron first wore its Springbok proudly at Gun Camp in March and April. The new Dragoons were pleased with their performance before the remainder of the Regiment, both on and off the ranges. We can hardly wait till next year.

Once back at the «home front», the squadron was busy in preparation for its official rebadging ceremony and Family Day. However, all were saddened just beforehand because Trooper Patrick Robert Smith of SHQ Troop was tragically killed in a motorcycle accident. His loss has been felt by all the squadron.



The Colonel of the Regiment inspects the squadron during the rebadging ceremony.



Callsign 3A leads the rollpast.

The festivities did get rolling complete with the Guidon and MWO MacDougall. The Colonel of the Regiment, BGen P.V.B. Grieve, was the inspecting officer and presented the C Squadron flag to Major Berge.



The Colonel of the Regiment presents the C Sqn RCD flag to the CO, Maj R.F.J. Berge.

This presentation signified the official rebadging of B Squadron 8CH to C Squadron RCD. After the roll past, everything was transformed into Family Day. Activities were varied and much enjoyed by all.



Cpl Michael Boulay supervises MG firing with Jasen Courtney, son of Sgt and Mrs Douglas Courtney.

The summer months saw loss of personnel and equipment for support to the Combat Training Centre. However, time was found for troop training as 4th Tp managed to sneak off to Hollywood and 1st Tp learned first hand that bikes and railroad tracks don't mix.

After a block leave period, the squadron witnessed the quick transformation from summer to autumn while out in the training area. During the FALLEX, retrograde operations were practiced with the Sappers of 22 Fd Sqn; tank/infantry co-operation was furthered with the Van Doos of Valcartier and all took part in the demonstration for the Forces Staff School and College: Exercise Mobile Warrior.

Now, as the year approaches its end, all are busy with the in house driver course, gunner course, individual troop training and looking forward to Christmas and New Year.

C Squadron (Lahr) was also kept busy throughout the year operating in all respects as a normal tank troop but with a Squadron's worth of responsibilities. Our hard work and technical ability made itself known right from the start with the results of the ATI and Commander's Inspection.

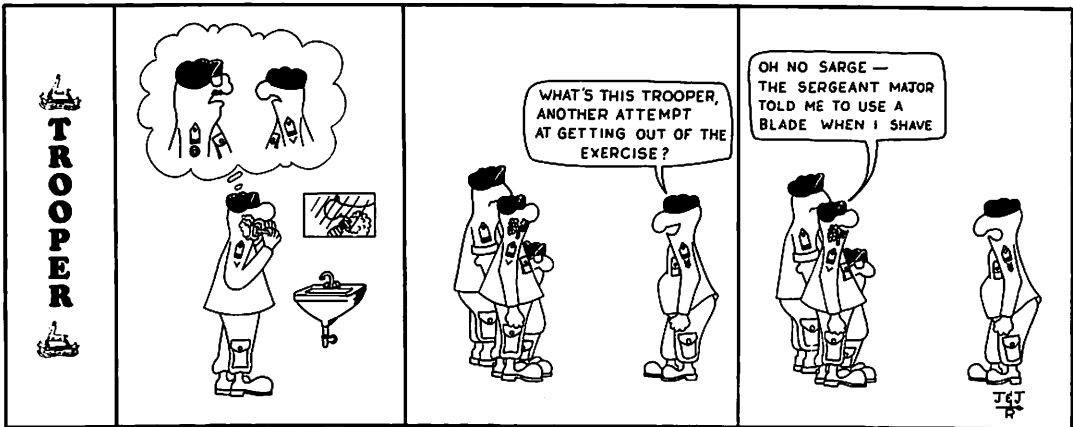
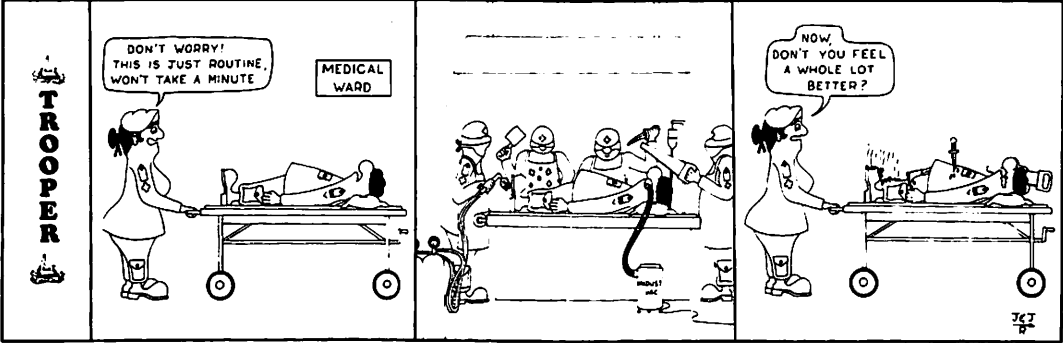
Regimental Gun Camp brought the arrival of C Squadron (Gagetown) to Germany. After our vehicle and equipment turnover the RCD had five full Squadrons on parade for the first time in many years. As usual the «Gagetown Gang» stayed only for the fun and let Commendatorius clean up afterwards, however everybody greatly benefited from gun camp's «bread and butter» training.



Munsingen and Fall Exercise saw the Squadron form a Tank Troop under Captain Marty Birt and WO Pete Czimmek respectively. Here we perfected our troop training as well as our international look working with ALPHA Troop from 293 Panzer Bataillon.

The new year promises to be equally interesting. All of Commendatorius is looking forward to being reunited with C Squadron (Gagetown) once again.





BOESELAGER 80

Fourteen weeks of hard physical training paid off for the ten members of The Royal Canadian Dragoons' Boeselager team.

Standing on parade in the town square of Braunschweig, with twenty-two other teams from seven NATO allies, the Canadian team was presented with the plaque and scroll commemorating their third-place finish in the guest class of the Boeselager Reconnaissance Competition.



BACK ROW (left to right): Tpr Bell, Tpr Mulhern, MCpl Frigon, Capt Davies, Tpr Banks, front row: Cpl Mulligan, Tpr Howard, Tpr Cashin, Tpr Arnoldus and Cpl Rousseau.

The prestigious competition, initiated in 1971 for Bundeswehr armoured reconnaissance battalions, is named after Colonel George Freiherr von Boeselager, commander of a Wehrmacht cavalry brigade during the Second World War. Colonel Boeselager was killed in action in August 1944 while leading his brigade on the Russian front. Since 1976 allied and friendly nations have been invited to send teams from their reconnaissance units to compete in the guest class. The Dragoons have the only Canadian reconnaissance squadron stationed in Europe. The third-place finish of the team is highly significant when one considers that the soldiers representing Canada are selected from a very small group whereas other nations have a much greater selection base.



The aim of the Boeselager competition is to improve armored recce skills at the patrol level by allowing units to test their skills in competition with one another. To this end nine different events have been devised to test all aspects of a recce soldier's training. And test they do! Over the course of the three-day competition each team must carry out a vehicle-mounted recce patrol, helicopter route recce, a swimming relay in combat clothing, a gruelling cross-country run in fighting order, skilled driving, small arms firing, armored fighting vehicle recognition test, obstacle course race with grenade throw, and probably the most challenging and strenuous of all the events, an 18 km night orienteering run with a series of tests conducted throughout the course.

Only the most highly trained teams are able to stand the pace of the competition, and to this end the Dragoon team began training in the first week of February. For the next thirteen weeks (and weekends!) the team ran, swam, practised skilled driving, ran, studied Warsaw Pact Weapons, uniforms and AFVs, zeroed personal weapons at the Heuberg ranges, ran, threw hand grenades, practised mounted reconnaissance tactics, ran, and for a little variety in the training, ran Volksmarsche, orienteering courses and every obstacle course they could find. In early March the Boeselager team from 10 Panzer Battalion, winners of the Bundeswehr class in last year's competition, came to Lahr to train with the Canadians for a week. They were tremendously helpful and provided invaluable advice on training techniques.

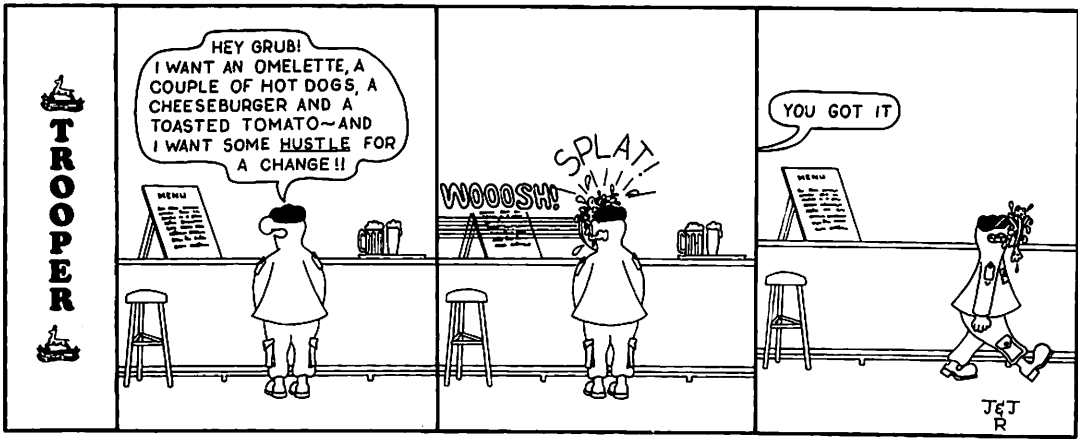
April found the team in Bergen-Hohne. While the tanks fired on the ranges the Boeselager team continued training and yes, still running.

Finally in the first week of May the long training grind was over and the team was off to Braunschweig and the competition. The competition standard and degree of difficulty exceeded everyone's expectations. Obviously it is always a memorable experience when one is part of a team that represents his regiment and country in an international competition and does well. But also important was the opportunity to be a member of an elite and well-trained team that had prepared intensively for a difficult mission and does well. During the course of the training and competition each soldier extended himself to his limit, an experience which one does not often undergo in peacetime.

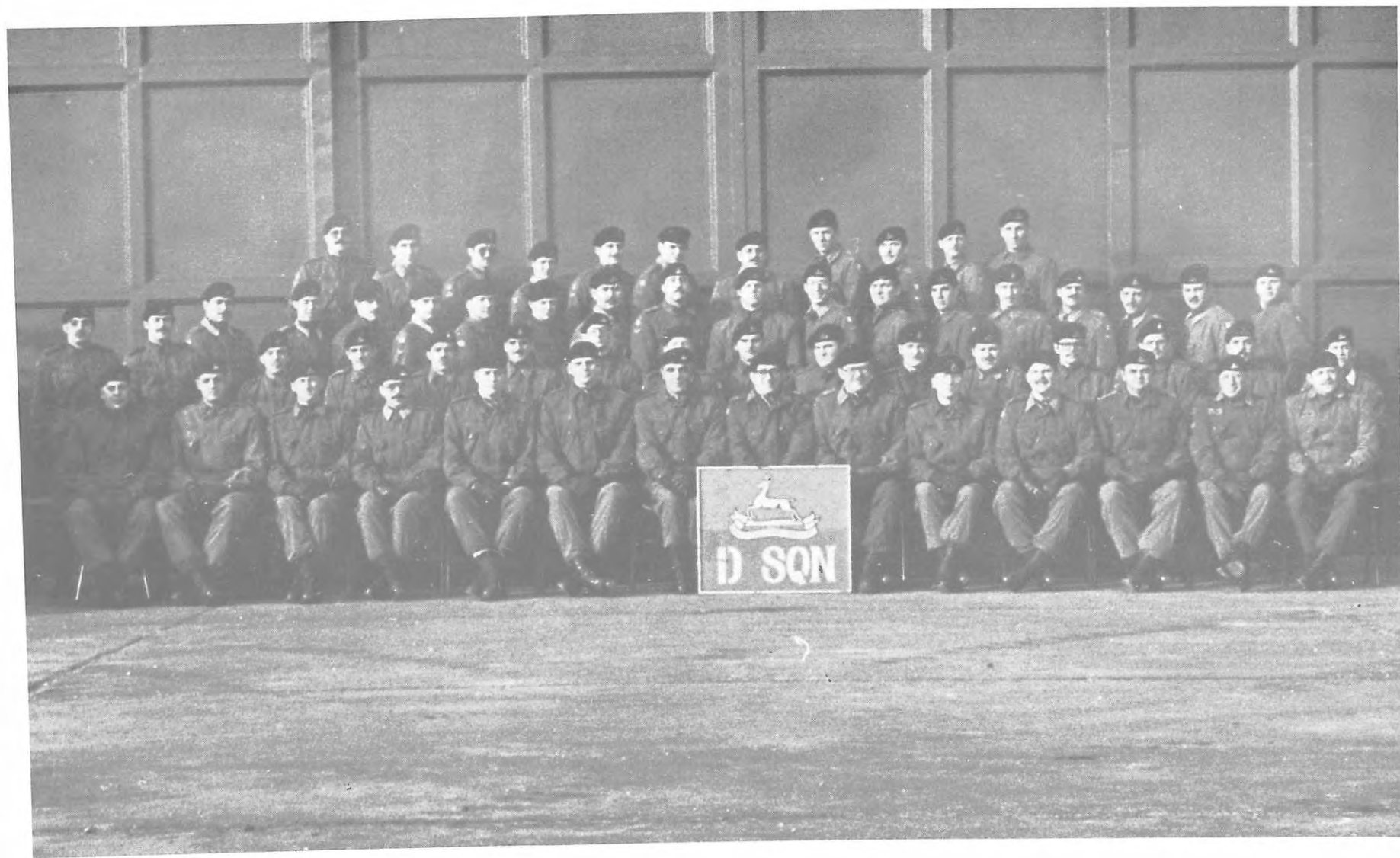


When the final results for the guest class were tallied, Canada stood third with 1200 points. The second place American team was 35 points ahead and another American team was only 15 points behind. In fact only a very few points separated the first seven teams, indicating the closeness of the competition. It was very reassuring to see so many well trained and totally committed NATO soldiers from other allied nations and the opportunities to socialize with them as well as compete against them was an experience the Dragoons at Boeselager 80 will long remember.









D SQUADRON

The Brigade Reconnaissance Squadron, D Squadron, worked hard, played hard and as you have read in the Activities article trained hard. BERGEN BREEZE was probably our proudest moment but from ATI through Gen Camp, Munsingen, FALLEX to the Christmas Dinner, Recce did it better.



A man who enjoys his work. Cpl Gamester prepares for the GOC's inspection.



Also working feverishly (or almost feverishly),
2 Tp.



But all good things must come to an end as a very relieved MCpl Chapman looks on.



Capt Steve Moffat argues the point that a Captain must go down with his ship!



Böselager 80. Capt Mark Davies, Cpl Luc Rousseau and Tpr «Flash» Mulligan having a hard time clearing the obstacle course hurdles.



The toughness of BOSELAGER. Tpr Mulligan being treated by German medics after the cross country run.



Tpr Mulhern and Cpl Jones maintain an alert watch from their OP. Obviously a gruelling war.



A typical morning scene during sqn training.



The familiar end exercise routine. Preparing for the tank train home.

VISIT OF TAFFY MORGAN

Today's young troopers in The Royal Canadian Dragoons know the daily «stables» period as the time set aside for weapons, communications and track maintenance, but «Taffy» Morgan can remember when «stables» referred to the grooming of his horse. Those days are long gone, but former Sergeant-Major Morgan remembers them.



«Taffy» Morgan visited his old Regiment this past year. He provided a glance into the past that was interesting and worthwhile. The Leopard tank that the Regiment «rides» nowadays is, he claims, much smarter and more tractable than some of the horses he rode as a young trooper. But the horses were much cheaper and didn't require a twenty-year long replacement acquisition program.

«Taffy» Morgan joined in 1923 just in time to catch the pay reduction (from dollar 1.75 to 1.20 per day) imposed on the Canadian Army in 1924 by the Liberal government of Prime Minister MacKenzie King. On the other hand, beer cost only a nickel a glass. And for the young trooper other attractions existed, such as the horse shows and the ceremonial pageantry.



In 1930 «Taffy» was selected for the RCD Musical Ride in which he rode for the next eight years. During this period the RCD also provided the teams that represented Canada at Olympics and other international equestrian events and competitions. Consequently, young Trooper Morgan was able to travel quite extensively with the Regiment.

The Royal Canadian Dragoons of 1930 and 1980 are worlds and decades apart, but the Regiment has remained the same; «Taffy» Morgan, and others like him, have shown us how the troopers, the foundation of the Regiment, have not really changed. Fifty-dollar horses and million-dollar Leopards require the same dedication and concern from the troopers who work with them. We can thank «Taffy» Morgan for bringing the past a little closer to the present.

REGIMENTAL SPORTS

1980 proved to be a year of limited success in regard to sports. While some teams had a disappointing year, others were more successful. In all cases everyone devoted themselves fully to their game.

Initially, the Regimental Volleyball Team had difficulty in getting themselves rolling. Battling their way from last place up to the regional championship tournament, the Springbok's met the 1 R22eR team in the finals – to the wire the RCD only losing out in the final game.



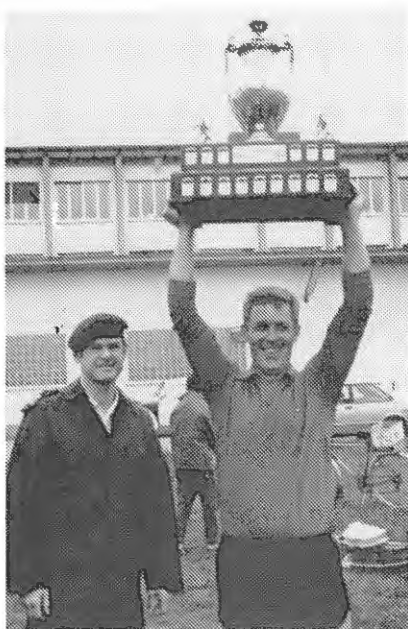
The Springbok Broomball team finished fourth in a very competitive CFE league. Although broomball has not gained the popularity of ice hockey, the calibre of play shows it is equally as exciting. The top scorer for our team was Cpl Gilles Giroux with ten goals and twelve assists.

Our No-Hit Hockey team fared the better of the two ice hockey teams. They finished in sixth place by winning eight games. Our top scorer was Captain Roy Clark connecting for eleven goals and eleven assists.

The Senior Hockey team had a very disappointing year in the CFEHL. Winning only two games in the course of league play we found ourselves in the basement. Despite the standing, there were many outstanding performances by individuals. Of note was Cpl John Wolford who collected 24 goals and 19 assists to finish twelfth in the league's scoring race.

With the change of seasons our summer sports teams got under way. They enjoyed the same success or lack thereof which marked our winter efforts. The soccer was the most successful. They won the Brigade Championship with an overtime victory over 4 Service Battalion, bringing home the trophy for the first time in twenty-two years. Since then, our team has spread the name and fame of the RCD through competing in tournaments and exhibition games from Amsterdam to Parsberg. The future looks promising with the majority of the team remaining for the immediate future.





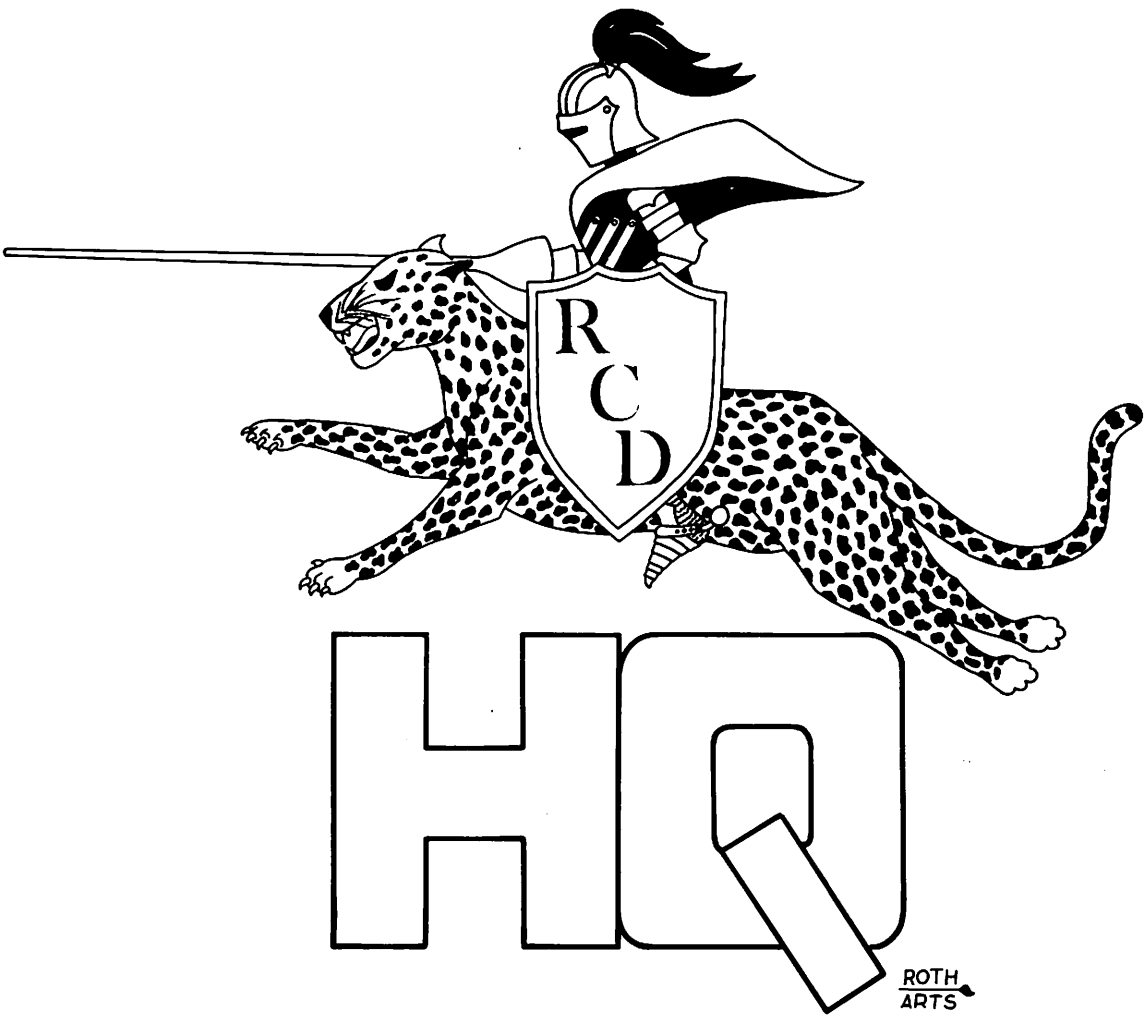
The «Armoured Cats» Softball team showed true RCD style and form. The girls displayed this in winning three games quite handily in the course of their season. They even persevered through the «sunny» weather of summer 1980 to complete the league schedule.

Our Softball team began with a slow start. As a result, when the league folded only part-way through the season, our team was left without the opportunity to display their full potential and style.

The end of Fallex brought with it once again the Brigade Sports Day. Post-exercise maintenance and the beginning of a Leopard gunnery course precluded massive preparation. Despite the last place finish, the Regiment had several performances to applaud, including MCpl Sven Bolke's medal winning efforts in the long jump and triple jump events.

October brought with it the change to winter sports. It appears that we have contenders in all our leagues and 1981 should bring continued success for our Regimental teams.







HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON

On teamwork - «We trained hard ... but it seemed that every time we were beginning to form up into teams we would be reorganized ... I was to learn later in life that we tend to meet any new situation by reorganizing and a wonderful method it can be ...»

Petronius Arbiter 210 BC

Squadron Headquarters



«Gluttonis Oinkorium»

The real call sign 8A alias ADM TAC. Non-ruminating bristly mammal usually seen only at night, gregariously consuming POL, rations and SQs.

The outgoing OC and SSM, Maj Lothar Klein and SSM George Martin exchange gifts at the Munsingen squadron rain party.



The SQ, WO «Paddy» Lawrence and the outgoing Maint WO, Gord Edwards. «Don't you dare pour that beer on me, I'll need this jacket on civy street».

Regimental Headquarters



The outgoing RHQ, L to R, Capt Geord Bouchard, IO; Capt John Moyer, Ops O Maj Dave Summers, DCO; Capt Ray Richards, Asst Adj; Capt Brian Drummond, Sig O; Capt Pierre Desnoyers, new Ops O; Maj Keith Eddy, Adj; RSM Beattie. «Ah, t'was the good life». RSM Beattie . . . «Heaven knows, I tried».



WO Roy Lynk, Ops WO; Sgt Ralph McAvity, RSM Beattie, WO Stirling Mercer, new Ops WO. «First, we're going to get rid of the officers, then . . . »



MCpl Jim McNeil, Cpl Len Fisher, Cpl Mike Oliver «If only they knew who really ran the show».

«Now, if I were calling the shots, I'd put A Squadron here and . . . ».



Transport



The Tpt Sgt Wes Westhaver and the CO. «I know Wes, but the Airborne need a few good men».

NBCW decontam training in Hohenfels. «So you want to drive a truck, do you?»



WO «Irish» Hutshinson, the Tpt WO, «Hinks did what?»



Transport conducting a DP with Svc Bn Hohenfels.



FALLEX 80. In the go position.



«RCEME in the Field, Part One» — Cpl JC Turcotte and the boys dig-in at Hohenfels. «North Bay wasn't this fun».



MUNSINGEN
CHANGE OF COMMAND



Gen Grieve inspects a sodden Recce Sqn, LCol O'Connor and the OC, Maj Prosser.



Recce Sqn marches past.



Lt Ryder-Burbidge leads 1st Tp on the Roll Past.



Sgt MacPherson rolls past during the change of command at Munsingen.

FALLEX 80



Sgt Ingram looks on with amazement as his French chef (and driver) Tpr Pelchat prepares dinner.



A group of German farmers (cunningly disguised as 3rd Tp) with a slick new recce vehicle.

MUNSINGEN CONCENTRATION



Cpl Junkin displays winning form during the Recce Olympics.



Cpl «Speedo» Steeves. «I was sure I put them all back inside . . . now I've got to take the whole thing apart, again!»



«You want me to hit what?» Cpl LA Brown at Hohenfels M72 range.



The ETSM, CWO Dow. «That does it! Where's the Maint O? «Where's my motorcycle? Brennan! Get that power pack cranked up. I'll show 'em».



The Cheif Cook, WO Butch Bouchard. «Now if only the little buggers would stop hopping».



The Brigade Commander, BGen Fox inspecting MCpl Pierre Letourneau's truck. «You won't believe what I just saw in the back of this soldier's truck».



MCpl Murray Quinton presenting \$7,000 to the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto after his 50 km run.



QMLI. The Quartermaster, Capt Al Steven, and his QM Light Infantry. «The enemy is here, here and here. Loeffler, you take out that battalion . . . »



Sgt Don Wyld, SPSS. «First you put in the bourbon then you add the water».



The past MO, Capt Greg Iverson and OC. «I don't know Doc . . . needle parades OK but vasectomy parades are something else».



The Asst Adjt — Lt Paul Nielsen.



The OC, Maj Bill Blair.



If only we could go back to horses . . . no POL, no maintenance, easy on rations, got you where you wanted to go when you wanted, and no march credit numbers.



«Horses!! Over my dead body.»

CAPTAIN E.P. CAREY

August 13, 1980 was the occasion of the retirement of Captain Ed Carey. This event marked the end of an era for the Corps and in particular for The Royal Canadian Dragoons. Ed was the last serving Dragoon with active service in World War II.

Ed joined the non-permanent Active Militia as a crewman on January 12, 1943. He was soon employed as an instructor in gunnery where he remained until April of 1945 when he was posted overseas with 29 Reconnaissance Regiment.

In January of 1946 Ed returned home to demobilization and civilian life until May 1947 when he re-enrolled.



BGen EAC Amy, Colonel Commandant, Capt EP Carey, Col C Milner, Director of Armour.

His first tour was with The Royal Canadian Dragoons followed by a return to the Royal Canadian Armoured Corps School in Borden. Ed returned to the Regiment, this time as a Sergeant and Staff Sergeant. After a stint at «1» Staff, Eastern Command, he returned to the Regiment. This third tour included service in Cyprus and another promotion.

By this time, it was obvious Ed was running out of ranks to be promoted to so he was duly commissioned in July of 1966. Captain Carey then returned to yet another tour at the school. The pattern of school/Regiment was finally broken and Ed spent two years in the «Hole» at North Bay, probably recharging for his subsequent tour at the school, now in Gagetown, where he remained until 1974. Captain Carey capped his long career with a very successful tour with the Regular Support Staff, Central Militia Area.

It is with some sadness, but also pride that we bid Ed Carey good luck and good shooting. Another link with the past has been broken but his influence will be with us for many years to come embodied in the skill and knowledge of those he trained.

THE REGIMENTAL KIT SHOP

Fundamentally, the Kit Shop exists to provide morale-enhancing «buttons and bows» and to earn a small profit to support regimental activities. In keeping with both aims new products have been introduced and older items have quietly disappeared. In the former category a line of theme T-shirts, combat wallets, combat watch straps, etc, have been tried with success. In the latter category glass beer mugs, blazer crests, rhinestone brooches and car badges have not been reordered. In the main price has been the dominant consideration. As inflation takes ever-increasing bites the troops have become quite price-sensitive. Experience, sometimes a little costly, has proven that an item priced above thirty marks will have little chance of success and a product that must sell at fifty marks or more is no longer a commercial consideration. Thus at the end of 1980 the Kit Shop has been forced to accept some economic realities.

The outstanding success story in the Kit Shop is the engraving machine. Within the first year of operations the profits from engraving have covered the initial capital expense involved in the purchase of the machine and engraving tools. In the process MCpl Damery, who runs the Kit Shop, has become a self-taught master engraver. To boot, he has managed to capture a great deal of business from the Canadian community in Europe and has earned a reputation for high quality work delivered on time for the best price in town!

The Kit Shop exists to cater to all components of the Regiment in Lahr, Gagetown, ERE or in the Association. Your comments are needed in order to provide the items you need. Overleaf is the present product line and prices.



MCpl Damery «Engraver»

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Berets, black. "Codeba" Belgique type. All sizes 52 to 64 (6 1/2 to 7 1/2). Each	20.00
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Officer's collar badges. Gilt. Pair.	13.50
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Other Ranks' collar badges (left or right 2.00 each). Pair	4.00
Cravat. RCD. Irish poplin. Each	7.50
Web belt with plain buckle. Solid brass. Each	5.00
Buckle w/Springbok Tank or Lynx engraved	8.00
RCD Buttons for CF. Set of 6.	3.20
Regimental tie, Irish poplin. Each	18.00
Plaques 7" x 6" hand painted, shield type "B", RCD, LdSH (RC) 8 CH (PL), 12e RBC, FGH, and RCAC (Note -- LdSH is type "BA") Each	22.00 to 25.00
Plaques, rectangular, approximately 5" x 7". Brass Springbok on teak w/stand, new item. Each	25.00
Plaques, rectangular, approximately 9 1/2" x 8". Bronze Springbok on walnut. Each	40.00
Mug tankard, English pewter, metal bottom. Each	18.00
Mug tankard, as above, with engraving Springbok, Tank or Lynx (additional 5.00 per crest)	
RCD gold plated cuff link set only. Set.	35.00
RCD gold plated tie bar. Each.	9.00
(All the above have a miniature Springbok mounted.)	
RCD Springbok lapel pin, nickel. Each	2.50
RCD Springbok lapel pin, or tie tack, gold colour. Each.	7.00
RCD Silver Springbok stick pin. Each.	4.00
RCD Springbok jacket crest. Each	2.00
RCD nylon squall jacket, unlined, slash pockets with Springbok crest. Sizes L, M, S, XS. Blue. Ladies sizes L, M, S, XS, youths sizes L, M, S. Each	20.00
RCD "T" Shirts, 100% cotton, red or blue with yellow Springbok, stretch knit. Sizes XL, L, M, S, XS, XXS. Each.	10.00

Boot bands, hook on type, elastic. Pair	1.00
RCD saddle blankets, full size, hand made. Each.	180.00
RCD "mini" saddle blanket. Same design as above. Hand made, approximately 10" x 15". Each .30.00	
RCD plastic decal. Gold Springbok on red and blue background. For use on inside of car window, etc. Approximately 2" x 3 1/4". Each	0.70
RCD paper decal. Same design as above. Approximately 3" x 5". Each.	0.10
RCD paper decal. Same design as above. Approximately 2" x 3 1/4". Each	0.05
RCD Centennial decal. Adhesive back. Approximately 4" diameter. Each	2.00
Armoured cats decal (Leopard, Lynx & Cougar. Adhesive back.) Each.	4.00
RCD writing kit. Contains 25 envelopes and 50 sheets of paper. Springbok crest. Each.	11.00
Regimental Christmas cards w/envelopes. Package of 10. Each pkg	1.00
CANADA pins, flag or shield. Each	2.00
Miniature medals – unmounted. CD, CD w/clasp, Centennial, Jubilee, UN, etc. Some are available from stock, others on firm order ONLY. Allow 6-8 weeks for delivery. Prices range from 10.00 to 20.00 in most cases.	
RCD short titles, for WD, old gold and black. Pair.	1.00
RCD short titles, for linden green shirt, light orange and government green. Pair.	1.00
Royal Canadian Dragoons full titles for CF, light orange and government green. Pair.	1.30
Mounted Guidon with Cavalry Troop Escort (1937 print by Rex Woods in full colour) size 14" x 20" unframed. Each (large)	20.00
RCD charms, plain w/Springbok. Each	5.00
RCD ear-rings, gold plated with long studs (pierced). Pair.	10.00
RCD helmet plates w/pins. Each	57.00
RCD playing cards. Deck (Red or black back)	8.00
Ladies compact, plain. Each	10.00
Lighters with Springbok crest (Zippo). Mens (Leopard Tank Crest)	7.50
Ladies.	8.50
RCAC or RCEME Crest Lighters. Each.	7.50

1981 NEW ITEMS

RCD Wives Cook Book. Each	10.00
New Type Hasty Notes, Pkg of 10	4.00
RCD Dark Blue Springbok Tie or Cravat. Each.	15.00
RCD Ashtrays, ceramic. Each	6.00
Timmy The Tank "T" Shirts. Childrens sizes years 6-12. Each	10.00
"Wanderer" "T" Shirt. S, M, L sizes. Each	10.00
Combat Wallet. Black only, nylon with velcro closings. Each	17.00
CANADA-GERMANY enameled flag pins. Each.	2.50

RCD WIVE'S CLUB



The RCD Wive's Club had a very successful year. Our purpose has been and is to provide a means to allow the ladies of the Regiment to meet one another and to assist the Regiment in any way it can. We have met these aims through monthly meetings, various social events and one major project. We discussed everything from the serious (alcohol and the drinking driver) to the delightful (gourmet cooking) to the sublime (belly dancing).

Our events included a Wine and Cheese Meet and Greet, a penny auction and a Family Fun Day for the children while the men were on FALLEX. We operated a coffee and doughnut booth for the Spring and Fall Merchant's Fair for which our thanks to the Chief Cook and the erstwhile coffee brewers. The ladies continue to visit families while husbands are away on course or exercise.

Our major project was the publication of the RCD Wives Cookbook. Rarely has the Club enjoyed such success. The first printing of 500 copies sold so well that a total of 950 were published in two subsequent printings. The book's success not only provided excellent publicity for the Regiment but also was a source of pride to the wives.

The Club also sponsored two sports teams. The first was a softball team, the Armourettes. The team met with some success in the standings but even greater success in achieving the aim of having fun.



The bowling team met with success in both areas. Everyone had fun and the season was capped by our girls soundly trouncing the RCD single men's team.

It is hoped that the Club will continue to expand in 1981. All our efforts have had the support of the Regiment for which our heartfelt thanks. The Club intends to continue to provide enjoyable social activities and to do its best to look after the needs of the families of the RCD.

THE JUNIOR RANKS REST AREA

1980 saw the change of our institute from a Regimental Canteen to a Rest Area (read mess) operated by the Junior Ranks. A committee consisting of MCpl Powell, PMC; MCpl MacNeil, V-PMC; MCpl Wiebe, Housing; and MCpl Howse, Entertainment took charge and we began operations.

Our first function was a Valentines dance on the 15th of February at the Centennial Club. Primarily through the efforts of Cpl Murdock and his crew this dance was a great success complete with a rather rotund Cupid complete with diaper and bow and arrow. Remarkable resemblance to Cpl Morrel.

Mess, I mean rest area, improvements continued with the purchase of a stereo system and two «spiel» machines.

A rotation BBQ was held in June. Thanks to the generosity of the Sr NCOs Rest Area there was ample room for the many couples attending.

The end of FALLEX saw a new mess committee consisting of MCpl McNeil, PMC; MCpl Howse, V-PMC; MCpl Wiebe, Housing; and MCpl Murdock, Entertainment; installed. With the absence of MCpl McNeil on course most of the work fell to MCpl Howse.

Renovations have been the major activity of the Fall period. A work party of members and wives managed with sledge hammers and the odd beer to remove the old ceiling. Unfortunately while the execution was first class, the timing was a little out since the rest area was to be the scene of a reception for the Colonel of the Regiment. Consternation in the heirarchy.

Great things are planned once the renovations are complete. The Mess Committee would like to thank all those who supported the Mess in 1980 and encourage greater participation in 1981.

THE WOS' AND SR NCOS' REST AREA

Contrary to what you may think this is not going to be one of those reports that goes on and on and bores you all to tears.

We should start by naming all those fine guys who have contributed so much of their time and expertise, which has made the Rest Area one of the most popular places in NATO. We won't though, because it would take far too long. We'll just send them all a heartfelt thank you, knowing full well how they feel after having to leave all this for not so good postings.

As a lot of oldtimers have seen on return visits, the place just keeps blossoming and the events held here are becoming more gala as time goes on. For instance who can resist a uniform tearing contest that is also a wine and cheese party, or mess meetings where you bring boxing gloves, or our semi-annual pièce de résistance, someone trying to explain the financial statement.

The Leliefontein week activities kept everyone glowing this year. The highlight of course was our mixed mess dinner. The guests of honour were our Colonel of the Regiment, General «Pat» Grieve and his wife, Muriel. We were also honoured to have CWO «Bob» Slaney, the RSM and a group of Sr NCOs from 293 Panzer Bn, WO2 Trevor «kangaroo» Howe, from The Royal Australian Armoured Corps, several good friends from 12eRBC and from the school at Gagetown.



The Mess Committee outdid themselves for this one, including the innovative idea of having a mounted guard at the mess entrance. I'm sure that our foregone brothers of the cavalry would have been proud of the fine steeds and riders dressed in scarlet. The dinner went well under the direction of PMC MWO «Fingers, four hour long mess dinner» Rothenburg, ably assisted by RSM «SF» Mac-Adams. Afterwards the Mess presented Gen Pat a portrait of himself, framed with the names of all the present members (a fine portrait of a fine gentleman).

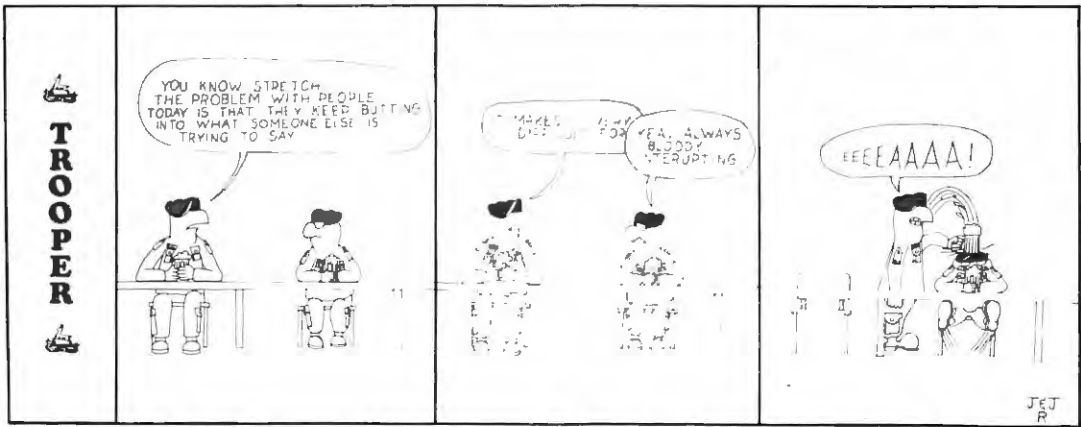


There was a real moment of sadness, when after a fine speech by Gen Pat it was realized by all that this was his last speech to the Mess as the Colonel of the Regiment. Thank you General Pat for your inspiration, dedication and advice during your tenure as our Colonel of the Regiment.

We are now making plans for all the Christmas and New Years related activities.

The seasons come and go all too quickly and one tends to forget the names and faces from bygone parties of bygone seasons. The Rest Area now sports a fine display of pictures of past and present members to help us remember when. This, of course, is called the «Rogues Gallery».

See you at the Rest Area.



THE OFFICERS' REST AREA

Subalterns are the key -- the younger and more irrepressible the better. The Rest Area lives or dies with the enthusiasm and optimism of youth. We have been well served by our subalterns and the old folks have striven hard to keep up. Our year has run the gamut of theme parties, mess dinners, mixed dining-ins, BBQs, TGIFs, and «outings».



Formal

The subbies lit the powder train of theme parties with an unusual «hall and staircase party» at their quarters. They advertised casual dress and then greeted all the marrieds at the door in lounge suits. The party quickly (de)generated fed on subdued ultra violet light, hardy subbie cuisine, dynamite cocktails and 120 decibel - three storey stereophonic noise!

A Squadron followed that act with a lumberjack party complete with woodcutter's contests and hearty food from the bunkhouse. Not to be outdone B Squadron organized the next inning with a British-style Pig & Whistle night complete with fish & chips in a greasy newspaper and the frolics of pub games. RHQ lowered the tone another notch by making everybody wear bed sheets to their Roman party. Fingers only for the food and lounging on air mattresses while feasting. A belly dancer brought out very basic Roman humour in the skits. (Catapult Camp at Bergen-Hernia).



Not so formal

HQ Squadron set it all back on track in late May organizing a very proper mixed dining-in so that we could say formal farewells to those members and their ladies rotating back to Canada.

The young gentlemen of the mess did everything but behave like gentlemen when unaccompanied by their mentors. Blame it on the subalterns! They held a dining-in that destroyed the rest area and the old boys remembered the good old days and were relieved to know that Nick's Tigers had returned. In best tradition the subbies held a rapid conference with the PMC, redecorated the mess, paid their bills and held their heads high -- once they had recovered from their terrible choice of wine. Every Friday without fail we celebrated the end of the week and the Tigers were unleashed.

BBQ's were the summer rage -- we had three in a row! One in June to say casual farewells to the outgoers, one in early July to say informal hellos to the new arrivals and one in late July to let the ankle biters meet each other -- great tolerance was shown by the subbies -- they can really smile sickeningly!

Change of Command Mess Dinner was held in Munsingen. The Colonel of the Regiment did the honours for a somewhat different change of command -- Chief Bunnies.



Two Old One New



The Fall was quite formal. A mixed dining-in to celebrate Leliefontein with the Colonel of the Regiment and Mrs. Grieve and guests from 293 Panzerbataillon and the 12e Chasseurs in attendance. In September a group of six officers and their wives travelled to Heuberg-Stetten to grace the joint 293/294 Panzerbataillon Hubertusball. And then we blew the budget!

It seemed like such a good idea. Organize the officers and their ladies, obtain a bus, dine in splendour and gamble at the Baden-Baden Casino. The setting was right but it was a subbie that first detected disaster. When the subbie-in-charge-of-paying-the-bill received the same from the maître d' the blood drained from subbie's face. The old folks glanced at one another and groaned quietly. We lost – at the table – not at the tables!

The end of the year was marked of course by the annual Sr NCOs/Officers broomball game and At Home. Not satisfied with the poor quality of the trophy for the broomball game the officers, with typical foresight, had months before purchased a brand new «Sunset End of a Horse» trophy so that it could be proudly displayed in the Rest Area. It was the subbies, they let us down (were unbeatable!).



PERSONNEL STRUCK-OFF-STRENGTH 1980

RANK	NAME	MOC	POSTED TO	DATE
MCpl	Alexander G	881	HQ CFE Lahr	29 Sept
Sgt	Assiniboine D	421	CFB Moose Jaw	18 July
MCpl	Baldwin RJ	011	CFB Borden	23 July
Pte	Bannerman JA	011	Release	11 April
Cpl	Barclay P	011	Release	30 Sept
MCpl	Barker PA	011	CFB Borden	1 Sept
CWO	Beattie DA	011	NDHQ Ottawa	7 July
Cpl	Beaubien JR	011	CFB Ottawa	29 Mar
Pte	Bell BR	011	CFB Lahr (BTL)	14 Sept
Capt	Birt MG	21A	Release	22 Sept
MCpl	Blouin JYLD	011	ERFC St Jean	23 July
Capt	Bouchard JLG	21A	CTC Gagetown	18 July
MCpl	Boudreault JRJ	011	CFB Borden	23 July
MCpl	Bougie JGS	011	CFB Bagotville	25 Jan
Cpl	Brady JJEJ	011	CTC Gagetown	23 July
Capt	Cadick CM	21A	LdSH (RC) Calgary	2 July
Pte	Caldwell RA	011	CTC Gagetown	21 July
Cpl	Callan HD	911	CFB Borden	21 July
Pte	Chaulk DR	011	Release	7 July
Cpl	Chevalier MC	221	Release	17 Mar
Capt	Clark RP	21A	CTC Gagetown	18 July
Cpl	Coleski WF	011	C Sqn RCD Gagetown	23 July
MCpl	Collins NRA	431	1 Svc Bn Calgary	18 July
MCpl	Costello MP	011	CFB Lahr (BTL)	14 Sept
Sgt	Coulombe JR	011	CFRC Trois-Rivieres	20 June
Cpl	Crerat GW	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	23 July
MCpl	Cyr JD	221	CFS Chibougamau	23 July
Maj	Eddy KT	21A	CFCSE Toronto	14 July
WO	Edwards AG	411	Release	25 Aug
Pte	Evans JR	011	Release	13 Mar
MCpl	Fairweather RA	011	8 CH Petawawa	19 July
Cpl	Ferguson BW	011	Release	3 Nov
MCpl	Ferguson DA	431	CFSAOE Borden	18 July
Cpl	Ferrara VR	011	LETE Ottawa	23 July
Cpl	Fischer WK	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	21 July
WO	Fisher RJ	431	202 Wksp Montreal	23 July
Cpl	Gallant AG	011	B Sqn 8 CH Gagetown	19 July
MCpl	Gamache SP	011	CFB Cold Lake	29 Aug
Sgt	Gonder BP	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	18 July
Pte	Goss AR	011	Release	25 Jan
Cpl	Green GR	612	CFB Lahr	9 July
Cpl	Guy DF	011	CFB Comox	23 July
Sgt	Hamer JH	011	444 Tac Hel Sqn Lahr	15 May
MCpl	Harvey DR	011	CFRC Cornwallis	21 July
MCpl	Hooper GR	411	CFB Ottawa	19 April
Pte	Hope P	011	Release	6 April
MCpl	Hopkins RA	011	CFRS Cornwallis	23 July
Cpl	Howard JS	011	CFB Calgary	21 July
Tpr	Irving JA	011	Release	11 April
Capt	Iverson GC	55A	CFHE Lahr	30 June
Sgt	Jobin JJG	011	430 ETAH Valcartier	21 July
Cpl	Jolicoeur JGP	011	CFB Bagotville	25 Jan
Sgt	Jones DL	411	1 Sg Sqn Calgary	23 July
Cpl	Jordan BW	011	CFB Comox	23 July
Pte	Keoughan RW	011	Release	17 Mar
Maj	Klein LO	21A	Ulm-Donau, Germany	14 July
WO	Kuhn KH	011	Release	29 Sept
Cpl	Lacombe FW	011	CFB Lahr	14 July
Pte	Lafrance GW	011	DECEASED	27 Oct
MWO	Laliberte JOE	411	AB Svc Cdo Petawawa	7 July
Pte	Lamoureux JRP	011	Release	21 Jan
MCpl	Lariviere LLJ	411	4 Svc Bn Lahr	7 July

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RANK	NAME	MOC	POSTED TO	DATE
MCpl	Legendre JYM	411	1 R22eR Lahr	7 July
MCpl	Levesque JDJ	011	CFRS Cornwallis	19 July
Cpl	Levesque NC	011	CTC Gagetown	23 July
MCpl	Lublink PR	831	4 Svc Bn Lahr	14 July
Capt	MacDonald MG	21A	CTC Gagetown	18 July
Sgt	MacDonald RA	411	CFB Chatham	18 July
Cpl	Mallette R	011	Release	6 Aug
Cpl	Marcelais JNRP	011	Release	25 July
MWO	Martin GE	011	RSS Central Det Oshawa	1 Aug
Cpl	Matthews L	011	LdSh (RC) Calgary	23 July
Cpl	Mattson GA	411	CFB Calgary	18 July
MCpl	Mcateer DA	431	CFB Lahr (BTL)	4 April
Cpl	McDonnell RB	011	RCD Gagetown	11 Aug
Pte	Menard JLY	011	Release	25 April
MCpl	Merkley JMW	221	CFS Sioux Lookout	21 July
Cpl	Millen LE	011	Release	9 May
Capt	Moffat SE	21A	CTC Gagetown	21 July
Capt	Morgan TW	43A	4 Svc Bn Lahr	2 June
MCpl	Morissette JBM	011	12eRBC Valcartier	18 July
Sgt	Mullins WE	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	29 Aug
LCol	O'Connor JG	21A	CFCSC Toronto	27 June
Cpl	Overink H	011	Release	27 June
Cpl	Owens WE	011	CTC Gagetown	23 July
Capt	Pacey MJP	21A	RRMC Victoria	18 Jan
MCpl	Patrick RP	861	CFB Cornwallis	18 July
Cpl	Pearcey	421	129 AAD Bty Lahr	9 June
Cpl	Pennock	011	Release	8 April
MCpl	Pitcher WMW	911	1 RCR London	21 July
Pte	Potter RB	011	CFB Comox	23 July
Maj	Prosser DW	21A	CTC Gagetown	18 July
MCpl	Quinton MJ	911	4 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn Lahr	11 Aug
Sgt	Randall WD	221	4 Svc Bn Lahr	15 Aug
Pte	Rankin KS	011	CTC Gagetown	19 July
Capt	Richard JLM	21A	CFRC Montreal	23 July
Capt	Richards RS	21A	CTC Gagetown	17 July
Pte	Ringer PE	011	CTC Gagetown	23 July
Cpl	Ringma KAFP	011	Release	3 April
Cpl	Reid GW	411	LdSH (RC) Calgary	23 July
MWO	Rest AE	411	4 CER Lahr	2 June
MCpl	Reynolds AA	011	LdSh (RC) Calgary	23 July
Cpl	Rooke RD	411	CFB Trenton	31 Aug
MCpl	Rousseau JAL	011	ERFC St Jean	21 July
Cpl	Rowe KJ	011	8 CH Petawawa	29 Feb
MCpl	Russell WM	431	CFB Lahr	23 June
Pte	Ryan AG	011	CTC Gagetown	23 July
Pte	Schaaf GT	011	Release	28 April
MCpl	Schulmeister W	211	1 Sig Sqn Calgary	18 July
Pte	Smith G	011	CFB Borden	10 Aug
Pte	Sullivan DE	011	Release	10 Sept
Cpl	Syroid DS	011	CFB Cold Lake	20 July
WO	Taylor GW	011	RSS Toronto	18 July
Capt	Tessier JL	69A	CFSE AFCENT	12 Aug
MCpl	Thompason DA	011	8 CH Petawawa	2 June
Cpl	Tinling RG	411	LdSH (RC) Calgary	18 July
Sgt	Tremblay JFJC	431	5 Bn S du C Valcartier	21 July
Pte	Tysick RM	011	Release	11 April
MWO	Urbanowsky TE	011	CTC Gagetown	23 July
Pte	Urkureit R	011	Release	21 Jan
MCpl	Van Twuiver JC	211	4 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn Lahr	10 Oct

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RANK	NAME	MOC	POSTED TO	DATE
Cpl	Visneskie WD	011	CFB Gagetown	23 July
Pte	Welsby MJ	011	Release	29 Mar
Cpl	Whelan JK	011	8 CH Gagetown	19 July
Cpl	Whelan JP	011	CFCCSC Kingston	20 June
Sgt	Woods BW	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	18 July
Cpl	Wright RA	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	18 July
Cpl	Wright RP	011	8 CH Petawawa	18 July
Cpl	Young WB	411	CFSAOE Borden	21 July

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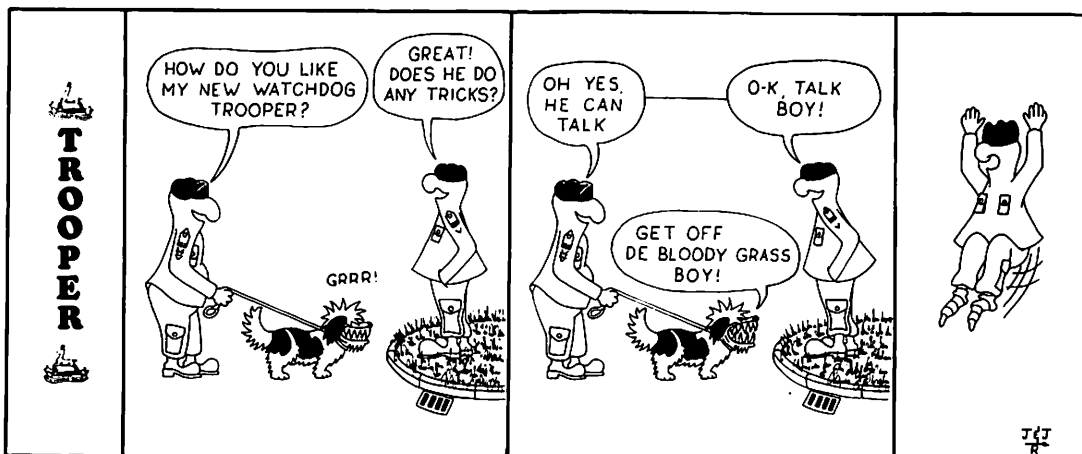
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LCol	Addy CJ	21A	FMC HQ St Hubert	23 June
Pte	Alberto JS	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	21 July
Capt	Anderson JW	55A	CFB Chilliwack	14 July
Pte	Arling TJ	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb
Cpl	Arsenault EJ	011	8 CH Petawawa	23 July
Pte	Ashe DR	011	CTC Gagetown	18 July
Pte	Asselin DBR	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Cpl	Barr CL	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	1 Sept
Sgt	Bates EK	011	444 Tac Hel Sqn Lahr	5 Aug
WO	Beaulieu LC	411	12eRBC Valcartier	1 June
Pte	Belcourt JMC	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Maj	Blair WR	21A	CFB Petawawa	30 June
Cpl	Blouin JAY	011	CTC Gagetown	21 July
Pte	Bobbitt RW	011	8 CH Petawawa	23 July
MCpl	Bolke S	211	4 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn Lahr	19 July
Pte	Brennan KM	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	13 Sept
Pte	Brown CC	011	CTC Gagetown	20 July
Pte	Burke JW	011	8 CH Petawawa	15 Sept
Pte	Burton MW	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	26 May
Pte	Calder JW	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Cpl	Campbell JL	861	CFB Moose Jaw	29 June
Pte	Campbell KA	011	LdSh (RC) Calgary	23 July
Pte	Carew RJ	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Capt	Carhart KR	21A	SSF HQ & Sig Sqn Petawawa	14 Aug
Pte	Caron JMD	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Capt	Carruthers RF	21A	FMC HQ St Hubert	9 June
MCpl	Catterall JB	011	8 CH Petawawa	23 July
Cpl	Cavan HJ	911	408 Sqn Edmonton	7 July
Pte	Chartier JA	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Sgt	Clough GM	411	CFB Edmonton	29 Sept
Pte	Collins MA	011	CTC Gagetown	19 July
Pte	Cote JPM	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Pte	Crack RR	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	26 May
Pte	David JJN	433	202 Wksp Montreal	21 July
Pte	Davignon JRJG	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Pte	Delaurier TA	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Pte	Demers C	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Cpl	Descotes SG	221	CFB Edmonton	17 June
Pte	Distefano L	011	8 CH Petawawa	15 Sept
Pte	Dunseath KC	011	CTC Gagetown	24 Mar
WO	Edwards GD	421	CFB Chilliwack	21 July
WO	Egan JF	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	20 July
MCpl	Emerson DG	011	CFRS Cornwallis	20 July
MCpl	Erskine RD	433	8 CH Petawawa	23 June
Pte	Fairbairn DC	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb
Pte	Fairbrother IE	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb
Pte	Faulkner MY	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Lt	Ferron JR	21A	CTC Gagetown	19 Aug
MCpl	Finnigan RJ	011	LdSh (RC) Calgary	18 July
MCpl	Foster CE	011	8 CH Petawawa	23 July

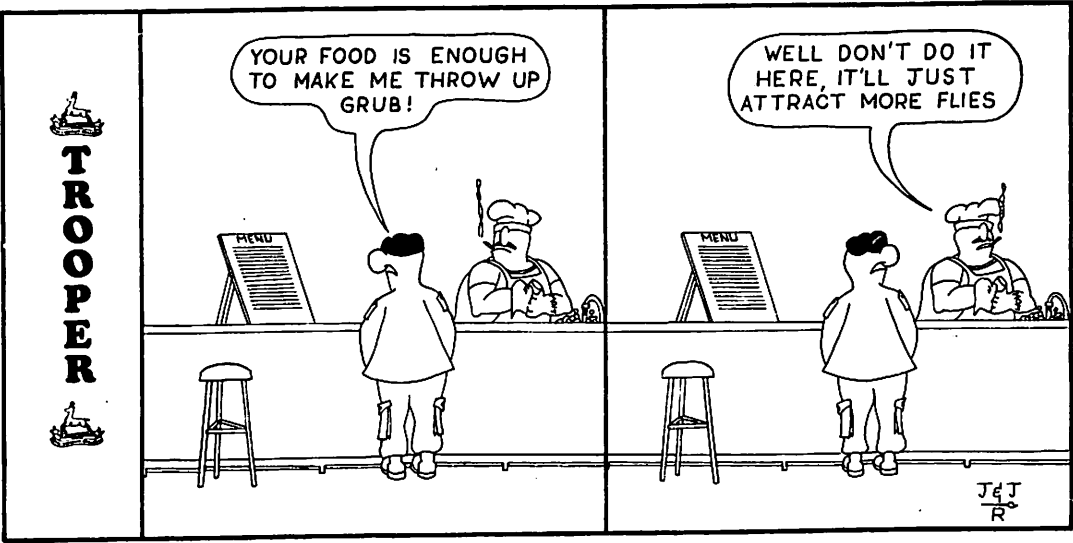
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Cpl	Francoeur RS	831	CFB Gagetown	16 July
Cpl	Franklin GS	011	8 CH Petawawa	18 July
Pte	Fraser CA	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Pte	Gagne JFSJ	011	CTC Gagetown	18 July
Pte	Gauthier JAAG	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Pte	Geneau CP	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb
Cpl	Gibson VR	421	CFB Gagetown	7 Jan
Cpl	Guenette VG	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Pte	Guitar WA	011	LdSh (RC) Calgary	5 Sept
Pte	Hamilton RG	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Pte	Hann CF	411	2 Svc Bn Petawawa	15 Sept
MCpl	Hitchens RE	881	CFEPU Lahr	29 Sept
Pte	Horodniczy TF	011	8 CH Petawawa	18 July
MCpl	Huybers R	411	CFB Ottawa	25 June
MCpl	Janelle A	211	4 CMBG HQ & Sig Sqn Lahr	20 Oct
Capt	Kennedy RL	21A	LdSH (RC) Calgary	13 July
Cpl	Kennedy WD	411	CFB Gagetown	25 June
Pte	Kennedy WL	011	CTC Gagetown	20 July
Cpl	Labelle JR	911	CFB Shearwater	15 May
Pte	Lachapelle GNJ	011	12eRBC Valcartier	26 May
Pte	Laflour JG	011	12eRBC Valcartier	28 Mar
Pte	Latam KR	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
WO	Leclerc JPR	411	CFSAOE Borden	19 June
MCpl	Lessard JLJP	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Pte	Lovett KL	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
WO	Luciak AJ	435	1 RCHA Lahr	7 July
Capt	Lutes JA	21A	CDLS London	4 Jan
CWO	MacAdams AL	011	CTC Gagetown	23 June
Pte	MacArthur RA	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Pte	MacAusland HD	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Pte	MacDonald RH	011	CTC Gagetown	23 July
Cpl	MacDonald WG	563	CFB Comox	19 June
Pte	MacQueen GFA	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	26 May
Pte	Maggiolo M	011	CTC Calgary	16 June
WO	Martin FG	411	CFB Chilliwack	28 Sept
Pte	McConnell DE	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Pte	McPhail RM	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	5 Sept
Sgt	Meighan GD	211	1 Cdn Sig Regt Kingston	11 Aug
Pte	Moisan VM	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Pte	Montrose BD	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb
Pte	Moreau JEC	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb
MCpl	Morrison ES	011	CFRS Cornwallis	30 July
Pte	Morton DY	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Sgt	Mulholland WM	411	CFS Masset	25 July
MCpl	Murphy WM	421	129 AAD Bty Lahr	9 June
Pte	Nauss BE	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb
Pte	Needham RCW	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb
Pte	Norwich SP	011	8 CH Petawawa	15 Sept
Pte	Ovens TW	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
WO	Paauw M	011	CFB Edmonton	4 Aug
Pte	Palma LM	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Pte	Payne CB	011	8 CH petawawa	15 Sept
Pte	Pelchat JPA	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Pte	Perrone RF	432	CFB Petawawa	23 July
MCpl	Pollock TJD	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	21 July
MCpl	Poulin GJYJ	221	1 RCHA Lahr	13 June
Pte	Ramsay J	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Cpl	Ranger RP	411	CFB Borden	21 July
Pte	Reed BE	011	CTC Gagetown	13 July
Cpl	Renner TC	911	CFS Sioux Lookout	2 June
MCpl	Ries HW	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	20 July
Cpl	Roberts D	221	CFB Chatham	16 May
Pte	Rocha AR	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	5 Sept

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RANK	NAME	MOC	POSTED FROM	DATE
MCpl	Rodgers JJC	221	1 RCHA Lahr	30 June
capt	Ross GW	43A	4 Svc Bn Lahr	18 June
Cpl	Roy B	432	CFB Valcartier	23 July
Pte	Roy JCJ	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Pte	Savoie JPD	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Cap	Scheyk F	421	5 Bn S du C Valcartier	7 Jan
Sgt	Schroeder JDM	861	444 Tac Hel Sqn Lahr	4 Aug
Pte	Smallwood CL	011	8 CH Petawawa	23 July
Pte	Smith DH	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb
Capt	Snell JM	21A	CDLS Washington	13 Oct
Pte	Snyder HD	011	CTC Gagetown	18 July
Maj	Sproule CJ	21A	CFCSC Toronto	28 July
Cpl	Steeves CT	411	CFB Halifax	1 Sept
Capt	Stephen AF	69A	4 Svc Bn Lahr	14 July
Sgt	Stewart JD	432	CFSCEE Kingston	20 July
Pte	Stitt SG	612	CFB Petawawa	9 July
Pte	St Laurent JLG	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Pte	STovold KE	011	8 CH Petawawa	23 July
Pte	Suderman RJ	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Lt	Sulik JR	21A	12eRBC Valcartier	18 July
Pte	Tailleur RC	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Cpl	Templeton JFC	411	2 Svc Bn Petawawa	19 May
Maj	Thornton KL	21A	CFC Toronto	14 July
Pte	Touzin JLG	011	12eRBC Valcartier	15 Aug
Pte	Tucciarone S	011	8 CH Petawawa	23 July
Cpl	Turcotte JC	411	CFB North Bay	11 Aug
WO	Turner AR	011	CTC Gagetown	16 July
Pte	Veitch DG	011	CTC Gagetown	18 July
Pte	Verspagen JA	011	CTC Gagetown	16 June
Pte	Waldo DC	011	CTC Gagetown	28 Mar
Pte	Wallawa GW	011	8 CH Petawawa	15 Sept
Lt	Ward MJ	21A	RMC Kingston	13 Aug
Cpl	Weeks CA	411	CFB Gagetown	14 Jan
Cpl	White L	411	4 Svc Bn Lahr	1 July
Cpl	Wijas J	411	CFB Shilo	21 July
Cpl	Wionzek MJR	011	CTC Gagetown	18 July
Pte	Woolhouse AD	011	LdSH (RC) Calgary	5 Sept
Pte	Young AT	011	CTC Gagetown	29 Feb





ERE OFFICERS

LCol RE Acreman	FMCHQ	Capt MJ Pacey	RRMC Victoria
Capt WR Allen	CTC	Maj DW Prosser	CTC
Maj WS Andrews	CFB Borden	Maj TF Pyne	NDHQ
Capt MW Appleton	FMCHQ	Capt JLM Richard	CFRC Montreal
Maj ND Ashton	FMCHQ	Capt RS Richards	CTC
Maj GE Bart	Windsor Militia District HQ	Capt JHJ Russell	CTC
Maj KR Black	RSS (Central)	Maj CA Sangster	Deputy Asst Secretary to Governor General
Capt ED Borylo	CTC	Capt GL Sangster	NDHQ
Capt JL Bouchard	CTC	Maj KRT Seeley	NDHQ
Maj AM Brown	NDHQ	Capt JR Shaftoe	NDHQ
Col RJ Brown	FMCHQ	Maj WH Smith	NDHQ
Capt TJI Burnie	CFB Gagetown	Capt MJ Tanquay	HQ 4 CMBG
Maj RH Caldwell	Air Command HQ	Capt J Thomson	CFB Borden
BGen PHC Carew	CLFCSC	Col KG Troughton	CFB Kingston
Capt RP Clark	CTC	MGen MLA Weisman	CDLS Washington
Capt DL Corkum	FMCHQ	Maj EJ Wesson	RSS Pacific Detachment
Capt DL Craig	CTC		
Maj PA Cunningham	CDLS London		
Col JK Dangerfield	CDLS Washington		
Capt CJ Davis	CFOCS Chilliwack		
LCol DM Dean	NDHQ		
Maj HE DeCoste	HQ 4 CMBG		
Maj BR Dixon	RSS (Central)		
Capt JLA Doucet	RSS Prairie Detachment		
Maj KT Eddy	CFCSC		
Maj RM Elrick	FMCHQ		
Capt JR Fournier	UNB		
Maj JJ Gallant	FMCHQ		
Col JAR Gardam	NDHQ		
Capt JC Gowans	CFB Kingston		
LCol DJ Graham	NDHQ		
LGen JAR Gutknecht	SHAPE		
Capt VP Guy	CLFCSC		
Capt AK Hamilton	SECLIST		
Maj D Henderson	CLFCSC		
Maj HM Hirschfeld	Australian Army Staff College		
Maj BE Hook	CTC		
Capt DB Hunter	HQ 4 CMBG		
BGen CG Kitchen	CFC Toronto		
Maj LO Klein	4 Jagerdivision, Ulm		
Col HBE Lake	CTC		
Maj ECH Latham	RSS Atlantic Detachment		
Maj AG Lawrence	UNTSO Palestine		
Capt MG MacDonald	CFB Gagetown		
Maj A. MacLean	CDLS Washington		
Capt KM McKay	CFTSHQ Toronto		
Capt JR McKenzie	FMCHQ Detachment, Gagetown		
Capt DB McKinnon	CFRC Regina		
Maj RG Meating	CFCSC		
Col C Milner	NDHQ		
Capt SE Moffat	CTC		
Capt HW Mohr	NDHQ		
Capt B Moore	CFB Shilo		
Capt ER Moore	CFB Borden		
Capt JK Moyer	CTC		
LCol JN Murphy	FMCHQ		
LCol GJ O'Connor	CFCSC		

ERE OTHER RANKS

Sgt Alchorn FA	CTC	Cpl Jordan BW	CFB Comox
WO Alcock MR	403 Sqn, Gagetown	Cpl Kelly DM	CFB Ottawa
CWO Allt R	CFRS Cornwallis	Cpl Labelle JL	CTC
WO Arsenault JAD	CTC	Cpl Lalonde JE	CFB Lahr
Sgt Asselin JE	444 Tac Hel Sqn, Lahr	MCpl Lamarche JM	ERFC St Jean
MCpl Baldwin RG	CFB Borden	Cpl Lantz DW	CFB Comox
WO Ballard SR	CTC	WO Lepine RI	RSS Central
Cpl Bastarache LF	CTC	MCpl Levesque JD	CFRS Cornwallis
Sgt Battley WA	SECLIST Suffield	Cpl Levesque NC	CTC
Sgt Beaton LC	CTC	Cpl Lloyd GB	CFB Cold Lake
CWO Beattie DA	NDHQ	Sgt Locke GR	CTC
CWO Bennett GR	SECLIST Suffield	Cpl Macrury DA	RSS Central Detachment
WO Berry R	CFRS Cornwallis	MWO Makuch J	RSS Central Detachment
MCpl Biener DM	CTC	MCpl Manser MC	CTC
MCpl Blouin JYLD	ERFC St Jean	CWO Marriott RJ	RSS Central
MCpl Bluetchen LT	CTC	MWO Martin GE	RSS Central Detachment
Cpl Boissonneault JY	CFB Montreal	WO Martin JL	CTC
MCpl Boudreault JR	ERDC St Jean	Sgt Moore WA	RSS Atlantic Detachment
Cpl Brady JJEJ	CTC	MCpl Morash MR	CFB Greenwood
Sgt Brownbridge RB	RSS Atlantic Detachment	Cpl Morissette JB	CTC
WO Butler RE	CTC	MCpl Murphy LL	CTC
Cpl Carroll EM	CFB Lahr	MWO Murrin DF	CTC
Sgt Carroll JB	CFRS Cornwallis	Cpl McDonald	SECLIST Suffield
Cpl Carter DL	CTC	MCpl McDonough MD	CFB Cornwallis
WO Chalmers RF	CTC	MCpl McLeod G	RSS Central Detachment
Sgt Cleveland WG	CTC	Sgt McPherson	CTC
WO Conrad RE	CFB Gagetown	Cpl Nash DW	CFB Comox
A/WO Copplesstone TR	CTC	WO Nichols LD	CTC
Cpl Cormier DG	CFB Gagetown	Sgt Nolte HW	CTC
Sgt Coulombe JR	CFRC Detachment, Trois-Rivieres	Pte Owens TW	CTC
Cpl Courtney DD	CTC	Sgt Park RG	RSS Central Detachment
Cpl Cull GF	CFB Trenton	Cpl Porter WM	2 Svc Bn, Petawawa
MCpl Dedrick FE	CFRS Cornwallis	Cpl Quan JJ	CFB Gagetown
Sgt Dielschneider DW	CFRC Detachment, Kamloops	Sgt Randall RE	RSS Pacific Detachment
Cpl Dodge DH	CFB Comox	Cpl Rediker JE	22 Fd Sqn, Gagetown
MCpl Doiron JJ	422 Tac Hel Sqn, Gagetown	Cpl Rokos AG	CFB Chilliwack
Cpl Dube JPM	CTC	MCpl Rousseau JA	ERFC St Jean Detachment
Cpl Duguay JE	CFB St Jean	WO Santer RH	RSS Atlantic Detachment
WO Elliott JG	CTC	Sgt Shute PM	CTC
Cpl Emmett JH	CFB North Bay	MCpl Simard JR	CTC
Cpl Evans DA	CFB Edmonton	Sgt Simon PJ	CTC
Cpl Ferrara VR	LETE, Ottawa	Sgt Smith AB	CTC
MWO Flannery JJ	CFB Toronto	WO Stach SB	RSS Pacific
Cpl Forbes LJ	CFB Chilliwack	MCpl Stewart BG	CFB Gagetown
MCpl Francis CE	CTC	MCpl Sullivan MW	CFS Goose Bay
Sgt Gaetzman	444 Tac Hel Sqn, Lahr	WO Sutton HR	403 Sqn, Gagetown
Cpl Gallant AA	CTC	Cpl Syroid DS	CFB Cold Lake
MCpl Gamache JP	CFB Cold Lake	WO Taylor GW	RSS Central
Cpl Gernsbeck GA	CTC	MWO Thody RG	CFOCS Chilliwack
Cpl Gibson JT	CFB Greenwood	MCpl Tibbo GG	CFB Portage La Prairie
Sgt Good RD	CTC	Sgt Tower MW	CFB Borden
CWO Graham HS	RSS Central	MWO Urbanowsky TE	CTC
Sgt Guilbert JJ	CTC	Sgt Valley FT	CTC
Cpl Guy DF	CFB Comox	MCpl Vickers LD	RSS Pacific
Sgt Hamer JH	444 Tac Hel Sqn, Lahr	Cpl Visneskie WD	CTC
MCpl Harvey DR	CFRS Cornwallis	Cpl Wardrobe HW	SECLIST Suffield
MCpl Hopkins RA	CFRS Cornwallis	MWO Watson HD	CLFCSC
WO Horgan TJ	CTC	Sgt Welch EK	CLFCSC
MCpl Jewett RW	CFRS Cornwallis	Cpl Whelan JP	CLFCSC
Sgt Jobin JJJ	430 ETAH Valcartier	Sgt Wonderham PJ	CTC
Cpl Jolicoeur JBP	CFB Borden	MCpl Young A	PEIR Charlottetown
		Cpl Zinck LG	CFB Gagetown

WARRIORS FOR THE WORKING DAY





I'm alright — save the chickens



And the CO thinks he runs the Regiment



Yes it really is home grown — try some



Adj: I know I told him about name tags!



There's hope for you Protestants yet



Thar she blows



Just about time to commit the corps reserve



Does there have to be a clown in every crowd



Hey sarge the general likes my dress and deportment



I know the map said there was a road here somewhere



No luck in the kitchen — 9 grub to the rescue



Gotcha

In Memoriam



Trooper Glenn William LaFrance

4th Troop, A Squadron

1961-1980

Trooper Patrick Robert Smith

Squadron Headquarters C Squadron

1955-1980